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Broken Vows.

Promises are lightly spoken;
Vows on which we blindly build,
(Uttered only to be broken),
Go forever unfulfilled.
Oft betrayed but still believing—
Duped again and yet again—
All our hoping, all our grieving
Warns us, but it warns in vain.

From the cradle to the coral—
From the sunny days of youth—
We are taught the simple moral,
Still we doubt the moral's truth.
When a boy, they found me rather
Loth to do as I was bid.
"I shall buy a birch," said father.
Broken vows! he never did.

Grown extravagant, when youthful,
In my tailor's debt I ran;
He appeared about as truthful
In his talk as any man.
Let me tell you how he sold me;
"Look you, Mr. What's Your-Name,
I shall summon you," he told me—
But the summons never came.

Through the meadows, daisy-laden,
Once it was my lot to stray,
Talking to a lovely maiden
In a very spooney way;
And I stole a kiss—another—
Then another—then a lot.
"Fie!" she said, "I'll tell my mother;"
Idle words; she told her not.

THE GHOST ROBBER.

On a fine evening in the spring of 1830, a stranger, mounted on a noble looking horse, passed slowly over the snow-white limestone road leading through the Black Forest. Just as the sun was going to rest for the day, when gloomy shadows were beginning to stalk, he drew rein, as he said: "This must be near the spot, surely. I'll stop here, any how, for awhile, and see what I can learn."

He thereupon dismounted and entered the parlor of the inn, where he sat down before a small table.

"How can I serve you, meinheer?" said the landlord.

"See to my horse, outside," replied the guest, carelessly, but at the same time eyeing the landlord from head to foot; "and let me have some wine—Rhine will do."

The landlord was turning to withdraw from the stranger's presence, when he stopped and said: "Which way, meinheer, do you travel?"

"To Nanstadt," replied the guest.

"You will rest here to-night, I suppose," continued the landlord.

"I will stay here for two or three hours, but I must then be off, so as to reach my destination there in the morning. I am going to purchase lumber for the market."

"And you have considerable money with you, no doubt," asked the landlord innocently.

"Yes, considerable," replied the guest, sipping at his wine disinterestedly.

"Then, if you'll take my advice," said the landlord, "you'll stay here till morning."

"Why?" replied the stranger, looking up curiously.

"Because," whispered the landlord, looking around as if he were disclosing a great secret, and was afraid of being heard by somebody else, "every man that passes over the road between this and Nanstadt at midnight, for the last ten years, has been robbed or murdered under very singular circumstances."

"What were the circumstances?" asked the stranger, putting down his glass empty, and preparing to fill it again.

"Why, you see," the landlord went on, while he approached his guest's table and took a seat, "I have spoken with several who have been robbed, and all I could learn from them is that they remembered meeting in the lonesome part of the woods something that looked white and ghastly, and frightened their horses so that they either run away or threw their riders. They felt a choking sensation and a sort of smothering, and finally died, as they thought, but awoke in an hour or so to find themselves lying by the roadside, robbed of everything.

"Indeed!" ejaculated the stranger, looking abstractedly at the rafters in the ceiling, as though he were more intent upon counting them than he was interested in the landlord's story.

The innkeeper looked at him in amazement. Such perfect coolness he had not witnessed for a long time.

"You will remain, then?" suggested the landlord, after waiting some time for his guest to speak.

"I?" cried the stranger, starting from his fit of abstraction, as though he were not sure that he was the person addressed. "O, most certainly not. I'm going straight ahead, ghost or no ghost, to-night."

Half an hour later the stranger, and a guide, called Wilhelm, were out on the road, going at a pretty round pace towards Nanstadt. During a flash of lightning, the stranger observed that his guide looked very uneasy about something, and was slackening his horse's pace, as though he intended to drop behind.

"Lead on," cried the stranger; "don't be afraid."

"I'm afraid I cannot," replied the person addressed, continuing to hold his horse in until he was now at least a length behind his companion. "My horse is cowardly, and unmanageable in a thunder storm. If you will go on, though, I think I can make him follow close enough to point out the road."

The stranger pulled up instantly. A strange light gleamed in his eyes, while his hand sought his breast-pocket, from which he drew something. The guide saw the movement and stopped also.

"Guides should lead, not follow," said the stranger, quietly, but with a firmness which seemed to be exceedingly unpleasant to the person addressed.

"But," faltered the guide, "my horse won't go."

"Won't he?" queried the stranger, with mock simplicity in his tone.

The guide heard a sharp click, and saw something gleam in his companion's right hand. He seemed to perfectly understand what it meant, for he immediately drove his spurs into his horse's flanks, and shot ahead of his companion without another word. He had no sooner reached his old position, however, than the stranger saw him give a sharp turn to the right and then disappear, as though he had vanished through the thick foliage of the trees that skirted the road.

The stranger heard the clatter of the guide's horse as he galloped off. Without waiting another instant, he touched his horse lightly with the reins, gave him a prick with the spurs, and off the noble animal started like the wind in the wake of the flying guide.

The stranger's horse being much superior to the other's, the race was a short one, and terminated by the guide being thrown nearly from his saddle by a heavy hand which was laid upon his bridle, stopping him.

The guide turned in his seat, beheld the stranger's face, dark and frowning, and trembled violently as he felt the smooth, cold barrel of a pistol pressed against his cheek.

"This cursed beast almost ran away with me," cried the guide, composing himself as well as he could under the circumstances.

"Yes, I know," said his companion, drily; "but mark my words, young man, if your horse plays such tricks again, he'll be the means of seriously injuring his master's health."

They both turned and cantered back to the road. When they reached it again, and turned the heads of their animals in the right direction, the stranger said to his guide, in a tone which must have convinced his hearer as to his earnestness:—

"Now, friend Wilhelm, I hope we understand each other for the rest of the journey. You are to continue on ahead of me, in the right road, without swerving either to the right or to the left. If I see you do anything suspicious, I will drive a brace of bullets through you without another word of notice. Now push on."

The guide started as directed; but it was evident, from his mutterings, that he was alarmed at something besides the action of his follower. In the meantime the thunder had increased in its violence, and the flashes of lightning had become more frequent and more blinding.

For about a mile the two horsemen rode on in silence, the guide keeping up to his directions to the letter, while his follower watched his every movement, as a cat would watch a mouse.

Suddenly the guide stopped and looked behind him. Again he heard the click of the stranger's pistol, and saw his uplifted arm.

"Have mercy, meinheer," he groaned; "I dare not go on."

"I give you three seconds to go on," replied the stranger, sternly. "One!"

"In heaven's name, spare me!" implored the guide, almost overpowered with fear; "look before me in the road, and you will not blame me."

The stranger looked. At first he saw something white, standing motionless in the centre of the road; but presently a flash of lightning lit up the scene, and he saw that the white figure was indeed ghastly and frightful enough looking to chill the blood in the veins of even the bravest man. If his blood chilled for a moment, therefore, it was not through any fear that he felt for his ghostly interceptor, for the next instant he set his teeth hard, while he whispered between them, just loud enough to be heard by his terror-stricken guide:—

"Be it man or devil, ride it down; I'll follow. Two!"

With a cry of despair upon his lips, the guide urged his horse forward at the top of his speed, quickly followed by the stranger, who held his pistol ready in his hand.

In another instant the guide would have swept past the dreadful spot, but at that moment the report of a pistol rang through the dark forest, and the stranger heard a horse gallop off, riderless, through the woods.

Finding himself alone, the stranger raised his pistol, took deliberate aim at the ghostly murderer, and pressed his finger upon the trigger. The apparition approached quickly, but in no hostile attitude. The stranger stayed his hand. At length the ghost addressed him in a voice that was anything but sepulchral:

"Here, Wilhelm, ye move out of your perch, this minute, and give me a helping hand. I've hit the game while on the wing, haven't I?"

The stranger was nonplussed for a moment; but, recovering himself, he grumbled something unintelligible and leaped to the ground. One word to his horse, and the brave animal stood perfectly still. By the snow-white trappings on the would-be ghost he was next enabled to grope his way in the dark toward that individual, whom he found bending over a black mass about the size of a man, in the road.

As the tiger pounces upon his prey, the stranger leaped upon the stooping figure before him, and bore him to the ground.

"I arrest you in the king's name," cried the stranger, grasping his prisoner by the throat and holding him tight. "Stir hand or foot until I have you properly secured, and I'll send your soul to eternity."

This was such an unexpected turn of affairs that the would-be ghost could hardly believe his senses, and was handcuffed and stripped of his dagger and pistol before he found breath to speak.

"Are you not my Wilhelm?" he gasped.

"No, landlord," replied the individual addressed, "I'm not. But I'm an officer of the king, at your service, on special duty to do what I have to-night accomplished. Your precious son, Wilhelm, whom you thought was leading a sheep to the slaughter, lies there in the road, killed by his father's hand."

Two weeks later, at Bruchsale prison, in Baden, the landlord of the Sign of the Deer, and the Ghost Robber of the Black Forest, who was the same identical person, having been proven guilty of numerous fiendish murders and artfully contrived robberies, committed at different times in the Black Forest, paid the penalty of his crimes by letting fall his head from the executioner's axe, since which time traveling through Schwartzald has not been so perilous to life and purse, nor has there been seen any Ghostly Knight of the Road in that section of the world.

THE ARCTIC REGIONS.

Hearing of a lecture that was to be delivered upon Alaska and the Northern Regions, we despatched our reporter in order to give the public the benefit of the lecturer's wisdom. We regret that we have room for only a brief report.

The lecturer commenced by remarking that, although the regions near the pole were hard for travellers, yet it is an ice location.

The north pole has never been seen; it is not certain whether the bears climb it.

If they do, it is a cold climb.

Those who go there are protected from the cold, although they go in bear-skins.

No negroes there—all white bear-skins.

Dr. Hayes, a Yankee, went there in search of a notion.

You can see a haze when the northern lights are visible.

There is no corn raised in the northern regions; yet when the Esquimaux have breakfast, it is Indian meal.

Then, although birds are scarce, you can see more than one swallow.

The principal amusement is old sledge—though they sometimes have a new one.

You will find boots and shoes in the houses and slippers on the ice.

The latter are a part of the fall fashions.

The annexation of Alaska to to the United States will not probably increase the pole tax.

When the prodigal son went into a fur country, he probably stopped in Alaska.

The people there don't care for the return of spring. When the rivers begin to run, they say it's snow matter.

The territory is well defended against cavalry. There is a shiver de freeze all around it.

It is a good place for orators. Even the whales spout.

When anybody "strikes ile," they stop their jaw.

And begin to blubber.

Trying times for them, then.

Horses are not very numerous, though there are some fine bays on the coast.

Education is very general. The whales go in schools.

The hunters do not always stop to read their letters when they open the seals.

At this point—(the point referred to is the punctuation point at the end of the preceding paragraph)—the reporter took his leave; to speak more exactly, he took several of his leaves, containing his notes of the lecture.

—No swing of a scythe should fail to remind us of the work that is being performed by grey-bearded Time; no field of grass ought to be looked upon, or walked into, or over, without the countless numbers of its blades reminding us of the infinity of years of which eternity is composed.

—The following scene is laid in a first-class hotel: Traveler—"I desire to be called at six o'clock." Clerk (with gold chain)—"If you will ring the bell at that hour one of the boys will attend to your case."

WONDERFUL DISCOVERIES.

An English civil engineer, named Johnson, lately engaged in the trigonometrical survey of Cashmere, has made a curious report of what he saw and heard in Chinese Turkestan—a part of the world long inaccessible to Europeans.

He says that while measuring and triangulating last year at a remote station on the borders of Cashmere he received an invitation to visit the new ruler of Khotan, who had expelled the Chinese from his province, declared his independence, and determined to enter into friendly relations with the nearest British officer within reach. The adventurous Johnson being the handiest, the Khan forthwith requested his presence at the capital (Iichi.) The way thither lay across the Kiun-Lun chain of mountains, by a difficult pass, at an elevation of 19,000 feet. It was a hard journey, but the indefatigable Johnson pushed on, saw the Khan, stayed with him for four days, heard some very wonderful stories, and then made his way back by the Hithalayan passes—resisting the Khotanese inclination to hold him as a hostage for the opening of commercial relations with England.

It is said that although German travelers have previously crossed the high mountains which hem in Khotan, no European has ever before entered Ilchi, the capital. The Khan is described as a natural king of men of the Carlylese pattern—eighty years old, six feet high, stout, of a fair complexion, and altogether a goodly specimen of the old Turkish gentleman, such as he was in the days before Ottomans were heard of. He rules a province of 250,000 inhabitants, whereof his capital contains 40,000. The country, well watered by moderate showers and irrigated from the rivers which flow northward from the Kiun-Lun, is fertile and productive enough to stand a favorable comparison with Cashmere itself, but its climate is described as being much superior.

The reports brought back by Mr. Johnson are somewhat Munchausenish. It is said the fertility of the country is increased by a fine impalpable dust or mould which is wafted in from the adjacent deserts, without wind, in a perfect calm, and fills the air so as to darken it. This phenomenon occurred during Mr. Johnson's visit, and he was unable to read print at noon without a candle, it was so dark. It is not explained how the dust is blown without a wind, but Mr. Johnson says it is "wafted in a calm," and he cannot be contradicted. The storms in the desert raise waves of sand, which settle into hills, three to four hundred feet high.

The tradition of the country is that three hundred and sixty cities were overwhelmed in one day by sand storms. The sites of these cities are partially known; so there is a vast array of Pompeiis and Ninevehs awaiting somebody's pickaxe, shovel, and archæological skill.

The people of these buried towns used gold coins weighing four pounds each; but "this is kept a profound secret by those who know the position." There is no relic of the Brobdignagian purses in which this money was carried about for every-day use.

The store of tea used for consumption by the people, is now dug out of one of these ruined cities; and Mr. Johnson brought a brick of this tea away with him. "The Chinese supply is now cut off; so the Ilchians cut off their supply from these bricks."

We are further informed that the country in which these wonderful things happened is highly auriferous—a remark which is, perhaps, unnecessary when we remember the four-pound gold coins which seem to have been the circulating medium.

A WORD TO YOUNG MEN.—My friend, did you ever know, can you call to mind, a single instance of a person who, having his own way to make in the world, spent his time in the streets, in billiard saloons, around hotels, or in any form of dissipation, succeeded in a great degree in any enterprise? Look over your list of friends and acquaintances, and note their course. Do you not find, upon examination, that those who to-day are men of influence and honor were the youth who made the most of valuable time, turning it to good account; and, on the other hand, don't you find that those who stood at the corners, with a cigar or pipe in their mouth, went from bad to worse, and to ruin? Sadly must the answer be made—O, that it were not so—they have failed! Will you not profit by the experience of others? Go not that way. Never be idle. Every moment of your time is a golden one; use it as such. Improve the mind; fix your eyes upon some noble subject. Be men. The call is for men. Will you not be one of the number who can say, "I am a man?"

—A great thinker has said that "egotism is an infirmity that perpetually grows upon a man, till at last he cannot bear to think of anything but himself, nor even to suppose that others do."

—A Boston man made a pun on some Indian subject. "Is that original?" asked a meddler. "Sir," was the indignant reply, "it is more than original—it is *ab*-original."

—There is an exquisite joke embodied in Ohio in a man discharged from the service, in the war of 1812, on the ground of old age, and still survives. He is 108.

Catch the Sunshine.

Catch the sunshine! though it flickers
Through a dark and dismal cloud,
Though it falls so faint and feeble
On a heart with sorrow bowed;
Catch it quickly! it is passing—
Passing rapidly away;
It has only come to tell you
There is yet a brighter day.

Catch the sunshine! though life's tempest
May unfurl its chilling blast;
Catch the little hopeful stranger—
Storms will not forever last.
Don't give up and say "forsaken,"
Don't begin to say, "I'm sad!"
Look! there comes a gleam of sunshine—
Catch it! oh! it seems so glad!

Catch the sunshine! Don't be grieving
O'er that darksome billow there;
Life's a sea of stormy billows—
We must meet them everywhere.
Pass right through them, do not tarry,
Overcome the heavy tide—
There's a sparkling gleam of sunshine
Waiting on the other side.

Catch the sunshine! catch it gladly—
Messenger in hope's employ,
Sent through clouds, through storms and billows,
Bringing you a cup of joy.
Don't be sighing, don't be weeping,
Life, you know, is but a span;
There's no time to sigh or sorrow—
Catch the sunshine when you can.

THE WOMAN EVERYWHERE.

An observer of prison life writes: "The first sentiment of the female convict that gains expression, is regard for her personal appearance. The cutting of her hair calls forth curses, and perhaps tears and wheedling entreaties, sometimes the fiercest resistance. She may have plotted murder, may have poisoned her own child without the quiver of an eyelid, but she cannot submit to the indignity of having her locks reduced by the shears of the penitentiary. It is one of the most serious duties to check her love of display. A woman appeared one day with brilliantly painted cheeks; the whole ward was at once restless with envy and curiosity; the embellishment was a decided success, and the secret irritated the feminine mind almost beyond endurance. There was no coloring matter about the building at any point to which the woman had access. At last the secret was found out. The woman was at work on blue cotton shirts, through which a red stripe ran; she would pull out here and there, threads of the red, soak them in water, and thus make her rouge. Other women scrape the whiting from the walls and grind it fine for powder for the face. The style of the female convict dresses is highly distasteful to the wearers. The waist is immediately under the arms, and there is anything but fulness of outline to the skirts. One of the women would take the ropes of her bedstead to give stiffness to her skirts, or, in a single night, would fashion her sheets into a full petticoat; she would have a new prison-dress at night, and the next morning appear in a long-waisted, flowing robe, fitting beautifully over a *pair of stays*, no stay-bones allowed in the prison. The windows of some of the cells had wire nettings before them, and from these she had taken stiffnings to furnish substitute for bones. The wires were so taken out that their absence was not easily noticed. One Sunday she fainted away in church, the victim of tight lacing, and her trick was detected.

This same woman invented a pomade from the grease of her dinner, and with this would appear in the morning with her hair rolled in the highest style of flash art. No savage could value a piece of glass more than does this female convict. She will break her window, deplore the accident and cunningly hide a bit of the glass. She manages to smoke it on one side, or puts a black cloth behind, and she has a mirror.—One night when the matron was going her rounds after bedtime, with a lighted candle, she was startled to see a delicate woman at the outer grating, who begged a word with her, having something on her mind, she said. The matron drew near and listened. The woman began in a mournful strain, then darted her skinny arm through the grating and snatched some of the melted tallow from the candle. "It's only just a scrap of tallow for my hair, Miss," she said; "it do get awful rough without fat, to be sure. And I'm very much obliged to you, Miss. God bless you." And she went chuckling to her bed.

CONUNDRUMS.—Why is a literary man like a pig sty? Because he is confined to a pen.

What is the difference between a railroad engineer and a schoolmaster? One minds the train, and the other trains the mind.

Why is a decrepid man like a tooth that cannot be extracted? Because he is infirm.

Why is a mouse trap like a house of hospitality? Because the visitor is pressed to remain.

Why is a boy receiving a whipping from his teacher, like your eye? Because the pupil is under the lash.

Why is an infant like a diamond? Because it is a dear little thing.

When does a candle resemble a tombstone? When it is set up for a late husband.

Why is a jailor in danger of being corrupted? Because he keeps bad company.

—Never waste argument on a man who does not know logic from logwood, which is the case with half the people who love disputation.

—"Amusements which seperate the sexes are dangerous." But are not amusements of the other extreme more dangerous still?

FORTUNE TELLING.

The following are some of the rules by which fortune tellers profess to be guided in their practice of astrology;

January.—He that is born in January will be laborious and a lover of good wine, will be very subject to infidelity, yet he will be complacent, and a fine singer. The woman born in this month will make a good housewife, rather melancholly, but yet good-natured.

February.—The man born in the month of February will love money much but ladies more. He will be stingy at home, but prodigal abroad. The lady will be humane and affectionate to her mother.

March.—The man born in March will be rather handsome, but he will be honest and prudent. He will die poor. The lady will be passionate, jealous and a chatter-box.

April.—The man who has the misfortune to be born in April will be subject to maladies; he will travel to his disadvantage, for he will marry a rich heiress, who will make—what you no doubt understand.—The lady born in this month will be stout with agreeable wit and great talk.

May.—The man born in the month of May will be handsome and amiable; he will make his wife happy. The lady will be equally blest in every respect.

June.—The man born in the month of June will be of small stature, and passionately fond of children. The lady will be a personage fond of coffee, and will marry young.

July.—The man born in the month of July will be fat, and suffer death for the woman he loves. The female of this month will be passionately handsome, with a sharp nose and a fine bust; but she will be of a rather sulky temper.

August.—The man born in the month of August will be ambitious and courageous; he will have two wives. The lady will be amiable and twice married, but her second husband will cause her to regret her first.

September.—He who was born in September, will be strong and prudent, but will be two easy with his wife, who will give him great uneasiness. The lady will be round faced and fairhaired, witty, discreet, and loved by her friends.

October.—The man born in this month will have a handsome and florid complexion. He will be wicked and inconstant. He will promise one thing and do another, and remain poor. The lady will be pretty, a little fond of talking, who will have two or three husbands who will die with grief—she will best know why.

A COUNTRY NOT TO BE ENVIED.—With fifteen millions of inhabitants in Spain, only three millions can read or write—a fact which fully accounts for the restlessness and fanaticism of the people. The fall of Spain dates from the time when Philip the Second and Phillip the Third expelled a million of the Moors who were employed in the cultivation of the land. The inquisition also had its effect in making the Spaniards sombre, suspicious and jealous. Poverty and ignorance have done the rest. Though Spain is a land of mountains, it is also a land of great mineral wealth, and so fertile that it yields both the fruit of the tropics and the cereals of the temperate zone. Its *flora* and *fauna* are very similar to those of Northern Africa. It abounds in noble harbors, also, but it is doomed by its bad government and wretched rulers.

CHINESE PROVERBS.—What is told in the ear is often heard a hundred miles.

Riches come better after poverty than poverty after riches.

Who aims at excellence will be above mediocrity; who aims at mediocrity will fall short of it.

Old age and faded flowers no remedies will revive.

One lash to a good horse; one word to a wise man.

A truly great man never puts away the simplicity of a child.

He who toils with pain will eat with pleasure.

A wise man forgets old grudges.

—A little girl, who was passing with her father from one room to another, bumped her head against the open door. She began to cry, but was comforted. On the way back the father said, "Now, my dear, we'll shut the door." "No, papa, leave it open so somebody else bump 'is head.

—An argument in favor of enlisting female soldiers may be derived from the sentence of Montagne, that "men are generally more afraid of women than women are of men."

—As an old woman was lately walking through one of the streets of Montreal at midnight, a patrol called out: "Who goes there?" "It is I, patrol," said she; "don't be afraid."

—It is impossible to make people understand their ignorance, for it requires knowledge to perceive it; and, therfore, he that can perceive it hath it not.

—A thrifty wife wonders why the men can't manage to do something useful—Might they not as well amuse themselves in smoking hams as smoking cigars.

The Journal.

SATURDAY, MARCH 7, 1868.

DURING Impeachment week the gold market was very little disturbed. There was but an average increase of one per cent., showing how substantial is the faith of the people in our Government, and how frail a power the President possesses. The five-twenties only decreased about three-quarters of one per cent. in the same time.

THE Democrats protest against impeachment. Of course they will. They protested against fighting the rebels, they protested against emancipation, they protested against the greenback currency and they have protested against allowing freedmen to vote. It is not to be wondered at that they protest against anything calculated to pacify and save the nation.

THE President has taken a new way to squelch Republican orators. Gen. Sickles, who is speaking in New Hampshire for the Republican cause, has been ordered to report without delay to Gen. Hancock, and take command of a corpse of infantry.—But the General has fired some heavy guns in New Hampshire, the effect of which has damaged the Rebel cause beyond repair.

THE U. S. House of Represenatatives has prepared ten articles for the impeachment of President Johnson, and presented them to the Senate, which will at once proceed with the trial. No business can be transacted by Congress while the trial is going on, which may take several weeks, or as many months. Judge Chase will preside, and the case will be conducted like any ordinary court. The President has engaged Geo. T. Curtis and O'Connor, of New York, to defend him, and seems confident of acquittal, notwithstanding the conviction among Congressmen to the contrary.

THE Republican Convention which meets at Worcester next week, Thursday, to choose delegates at large to the National Republican Convention, will probably select Dr. George B. Loring, of Salem, as one of them. The importance of sending the best and most reliable men as delegates to that Convention is apparent to all, and no man can better represent the sentiments of Massachusetts than Dr. Loring. He is also mentioned as President of the Worcester Convention. Henry Alexander, Jr., of Springfield, is also suggested by the Republicans of the eastern and western parts of the State, as one of the delegates. Lieut. Governor Claflin and Frank W. Bird, are also candidates for the Chicago Convention, both of whom are true and tried Republicans.

Our New Dress.

Our paper this week appears in an entirely new suit, which speaks for itself. We consider it decidedly handsome. The ontside and advertising type are smaller than were used in the old dress, but they have a bold, clear face, and can be more easily read. Our style of advertising is also changed, and hereafter we shall admit of no unsightly display lines to mar the beauty and neatness which our columns present.

At the present time there are few families in Eastern Hampden and Hampshire where our journal is not read, while hundreds of copies are scattered all over the country. With an increase of readers we propose to increase the value of our paper, and new type is an important step in that direction.

Our dress is from the Boston Type and Stereotype Foundry, John K. Rogers agent. It commends itself to all printers as well as readers. We have dealt with that foundry for twenty years, and find its work reliable, durable, and in every way satisfactory.

Old and Dead.

Before us, in a mingled mass, lie a heap of type, cast off from the forms of our paper, as one would cast away an old suit of clothes that had become ragged and soiled. There they lie, by hundreds and thousands, and by tens of thousands, the life and beauty gone out of them, leaving them old and dead. But we cannot help thinking what that mingled mass of type have been doing for the past eleven years. They came to us bright and shining, looking beautiful as they stood in their columns, before the printer's devil had blackened their faces with the ink-roller. Then, week after week they grew darker and darker in color as they told their story on the clean white paper that was pressed to their speaking lips. And what a history have they related in the past eleven years. They have told many a pleasing story of love and romance, related many an anecdote, provoked many a smile with witty paragraphs, and caused a tear to start with a touching sentiment. They have told of wars, bloodshed, defeats and victories; of famine, pestilence, earthquakes, storms and shipwrecks; of friends departed and new-born joys; of local events, and foreign news; of silver weddings and funeral rites; of pleasant happenings and fearful accidents; of wares for sale, and sales that have been consummated. In fact, a full history of events which the world has produced in the years in which the cast-off type have been growing old. Their work is now done, and to the foundry from whence they came they will return, and in a short time will go into the crucible, to be purged of dross and dirt, from whence they will again emerge, bright and beautiful as when first they stood in our office awaiting the acquaintance of the roller-boy. Old friends, adieu!

FAST.—Governor Bullock has appointed Thursday, April 20th, as a day of fasting and prayer.

Letter from Springfield.

From our own Correspondent.

SPRINGFIELD, March 3, 1868.

March has come in blustering enough, and where persons hurried along bare sidewalks Saturday, they now toil through the huge snow drifts of yesterday—taking occasional refuge in an inviting doorway, to regain lost breath. In consequence of the sudden fall of snow, public conveyances have been the gainers, and owners of fast horses are jubilant over the prospect of prolonged sleighing. But these accompanying winds are decidedly unpleasant, as witnessed by the flattering calico and unmanageable garments. This state of weather will naturally suggest new thoughts of the poor, and while I would not discourage any one liberally disposed, I will say a few words in regard to one of our apparently most pitiable localities. It is generally believed that Ferry street, where a large portion of our Irish population is located, is the source of a large share of suffering. The general shabby appearance, combined with the filth exhibited and the compression of families within the limits of one room, would seem to strengthen the presumption. But it is far from correct, though there are individual cases of extreme want. There are those who barely exist upon their daily earnings, or the results of begging, with no prospect of food for the morrow, and aggravate their case by the unlimited indulgence of an unsatisfied appetite. And this class it is who roam the streets of our city in ragged, dirty clothes and produce the idea of extreme poverty. But there is also another class that represents considerable money, and who smoke all day in idle indulgence, surrounded by the general filth that pervades the locality. This class of persons regard the suffering around them with selfish indifference, content with the thought that they are accumulating a little every day by extortionate demands upon their tenants. Though this class of persons is not very extensive, it represents enough to place all the dwellers in that street in comfortable circumstances, if equally divided, and such an amount as would relieve them from the generous donations they daily receive by sympathetic appealing, should it come to the hearing of those who give out of pure sympathy. Were this place the only one where want is experienced, there would be little real need of giving, but unfortunately there are many others.

The directors of the chess circle of this city are holding their proposed tournament at their room, No. 33 Barnes' block, and will probably continue it for a few weeks. Some fine players are participating, presenting some very interesting games. Should any of your readers happen in the city within the next month, they would be cordially welcomed there between the hours of 10 A. M. and 11 P. M.

Many of the clerks of the city have formed themselves into an "early-closing association," with the object of having the stores closed every evening in the week except Saturday. They claim the evening trade is so light that it produces no pecuniary benefit. It is hoped they will be successful, as they are confined so close during the day. But some of the streets will present a very dull appearance.

The different Irish societies are making great preparations to celebrate St. Patrick's day, having already held several meetings to effect that object. It would hardly seem that they could turn out in any very large numbers, but a view of the street where their church is located, after services are over, would soon dispel any doubt on that point.

The curb-stone markets have not ornamented the street corners the past few days with their presence, and it is possible the enterprise has been abandoned, though they have been very well patronized during their stay, and slightly effected the market prices.

Trade is slowly improving, and business men generally are looking forward to the impeachment of the President as the sure road to a continuance of the same.

JOHN E.

Barnum's Museum Destroyed by Fire.

Barnum's new Museum, at New York, was destroyed by fire at an early hour Tuesday morning. A menagerie of wild beasts and all the costumes and scenery were lost. The fat woman and several other human curiosities, narrowly escaped with their lives. The loss is estimated at $500,000. When the wild beasts first smelt the fire, they howled and roared in fury, but soon shrunk back into the corners of their cages, and lay there cowering and shuddering, and giving vent to low whines and growls so long as nobody was in sight. Whenever any one of the numerous persons engaged in the efforts to save the "hay" animals from the flames, passed before one of the cages, the beast would spring from his corner, howl in helpless terror, and shake the bars of his prison in savage fury, as if he knew the danger that menaced him, and was appealing in his furious way for succor. The person withdrawn from sight, the beast slunk back to his corner again, and once more whined in agony. Lions, tigers, bears, leopards, all alike seemed to shrink affrighted from their fiery enemy, and only when human beings came in view did they seem roused to make an exertion for their lives. The great Asiatic lion making one such effort seized two of the iron bars of his cage in his teeth, and compressing them like so much butter thrust his head through the increased interval. But the stout iron resisted his further effort. His head became wedged in the space, and at the same moment a tongue of flame leaped down upon it from the story above. The great king of beasts gave a loud roar of rage and pain as the flames closed around him, and then the only sound heard was the subdued and mingled growls of all the beasts. At nearly the same moment one of the Bengal tigers burst his bars and sprang badly burned to the street. The moment that he reached the pavement, and before he had time to comprehend or use his freedom, the fireman turned a stream upon him which knocked him into an area, where a police officer dispatched him with his pistol.

MARRIAGE IN CALIFORNIA.—A proviso in the marriage laws of California permits parties living together as man and wife without legal sanction, to get married without the necessity of procuring a license. There are thousands in that State cohabiting without being legally united. Large numbers have availed themselves of the benefits conferred by the law. It is now proposed to repeal the law, as it is argued the law holds out inducements for criminal cohabitation.

AN OLD LADY.—Mrs. Rachel Edwards, of Northampton was one hundred years old on Thursday, last week. She is bed-ridden, with prostration of her powers of body and mind. For 67 years she has been a member of the First Church of Northampton, and for 49 years the widow of Nathaniel Edwards.

ALL SORTS OF THINGS.

CLEVELAND boasts of a colored female barber.

—The legitimate and the illegitimate children of Tom Sayers are at law for his property.

—The entire cost of supplying Chicago with water was less than three million dollars.

—More than $30,000 have been raised in Connecticut to found a State Industrial School for vagrant girls.

—The experiment of building wire fence by roadsides where the snow drifts badly, proves to be successful.

—January was the coldest month in Minnesota for forty-eight years.

—New York City and State have never had a national convention of any party within their borders.

—A negro drayman in Savannah is gradually turning white.

—Seymour and Doolittle is the latest Democratic Presidential ticket.

—The funeral of Mary Gannon was attended by nearly all the theatrical profession in New York.

—The Ways and Means Committee have decided to retain the two dollar tax on whiskey.

—A negro man, who used his influence to keep negroes from voting, was killed by a violent Radical negro on Monday night, about 20 miles from Montgomery, Alabama.

—Mr. Thomas has recommended that the Maryland Legislature send Mr. Montgomery Blair to the Senate.

—Mrs. Frances Lord Bond has asked to be appointed to a foreign embassy, and several Congressmen have signed her petition.

—A small fleet of fishing schooners is fitting out at New London, and will sail for St. George's Bank next week.

—Dr. George Bennett, of New Haven, of divorce case notoriety, has been arrested on a charge of abortion upon his wife. He was released on $200 bonds.

—At Camp Harney, on the Pacific coast, in January, the thermometer ranged from 12° to 28° below zero. Great numbers of horses, sheep and cattle are dying from disease.

—A Pittsfield, Mass., cat is well accomplished in ball-playing, and has a daily game of toss and catch with her master.

—The estate of Elias Howe, Jr., of Bridgeport, Conn., the great sewing machine inventor, is represented insolvent.

—Burlingame's appointment as Ambassador to the Chinese Empire is a life affair, with an annual salary of $10,000.

—Bethel, Ct., has no rum shops, no poor house, no paupers, no town debt.

—Snow lays on the roads of Nevada to the depth of eighteen feet.

—One company in Woonsocket, R. I., made $10,600 by the recent rise in raw cotton.

—Forty kegs of powder in Tyron's mill at Westfield, exploded on Thursday, last week, without injuring anybody.

—There is more ice in Long Island Sound this winter, so sailors say, than was ever known before.

—The Maryland Legislature has passed a bill taxing telegraph companies one dollar per mile.

—The garroting process, as applied to murderers, is in active operation just now in Havana.

—They have begun tapping the maple trees in Indiana for sap.

—There is a loud call for a reduction in the price of gas.

—One hundred and fifty bankrupt petitions were filed on Saturday in New York city.

—There are 8000 Methodists in Illinois.

—Massachusetts has 771 dead buried at Andersonville.

—A young London nobleman lost £10,000, the other evening at whist.

—Women in Africa take 21 hours to arrange their chignons, but only make their toilet once a month.

—In Russia the cold has been intense. Coachmen were frozen upon their seats, and the gas refused to burn.

—"Winter lingers in the lap of spring" with a vengeance, and is disinclined to March.

—In Idaho one ton of hay is worth six cords of mahogany.

—Horace Greeley says that nobody ever gets rich on a salary. He evidently wasn't thinking of railroad conductors, bank clerks, or Indian agents.

—The annual salary of the postmaster at Van Buren, Me., in the northern part of the State, is two dollars.

—In 1866 there were 93,407,682 passengers on the New York City avenue horse cars; in 1867, 100,057,219.

—Insane Robert Spriggs, of Vandalia, Iowa, recently choked his mother to death under the impression that she was a witch.

—A fashionably dressed and respectably connected lady in New York—and intelligent withal—has lately been arrested three or four times for beastly drunkenness in the streets.

—At Clearance, Iowa, Monday night, ten coaches and a baggage car on an eastern bound train on the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad capsized down an embankment. Nobody was seriously injured.

—Simon Richmond, of Springfield, died on Monday last. He was constantly employed in the United States Armory in that city for fifty-one years, beginning about the year 1842.

Temperance in the Legislature.

EDITOR PALMER JOURNAL:—Dear Sir.—I notice by an article in your paper that you suppose quite a number of license law men in the Legislature are honest and earnest temperance men. Now this is a mistake. I don't know of one working temperance man in the House of Representatives, and I don't think there are ten temperance men among those on the license side. Nearly all were elected to favor the rum interest. The temperance men never were so united upon prohibition as at the present time; and throughout the State they take the ground maintained by Dr. Edwards in the Report of the American Temperance Society for 1833—that licensing the sale of rum is licensing an immoral traffic. Of course if the temperance men go for such a measure they bury themselves out of sight.

Yours in the good cause of Temperance,

EDWIN THOMPSON.

BOSTON, Feb. 28, 1868.

THE HOOSAC TUNNEL.—The superintendent of the work on the Hoosac Tunnel has reported to the Massachusetts Legislature. He says that had a railway been laid for eight miles only up Deerfield River, to a vast lumber region at that point, the saving in cost of lumber and supplies thus made would have paid the whole cost of the road. The progress in boring last year with the Burleigh machine was highly satisfactory. With the aid of nitro-glycerine 150 feet per month may be accomplished. The work on the central shaft recently destroyed by fire has not been resumed, and the Chief-Engineer says "more trouble is anticipated from water at the west end." On the first of last November, the heading had reached a total of 4,482 feet, from the east opening, and 1,004 feet in the western shaft.

A SUICIDE CAUSED BY POLITICIANS.—Jas. J. Burke, who was employed in the office of the Receiver of Taxes in New York City, on Saturday afternoon last, called at the Comptroller's office to receive his salary for the month of February, which was due on that day. He was informed that the entire month's salary of the city employees were levied upon and retained for political purposes, and that in consequence he must do without cash for the next thirty days. He then repaired to his residence in Elizabeth street, and, after bidding his wife good bye, shot himself through the heart.

PALMER AND VICINITY.

THE winter schools have all closed, some of them rather abruptly, without examination by the committee.

THE Union Express Company has come out with a new wagon, handsomely lettered and substantially made.

ONCE HERE.—Clark, the gambler, murdered at Worcester, kept a faro bank in this village for a short time last fall

LEAVING TOWN.—Several of our citizens contemplate leaving town, the present season, to engage in business elsewhere.

MARCH COLD.—The thermometer was below zero in this village Thursday morning. It has not been so cold in March since 1833.

INCREASING.—Government taxes in Eastern Hampden have increased the past month, showing that manufacturers are seeing brighter days.

INSURANCE.—Attention is called to the insurance advertisement of Allen & Gardner. They are agents for some of the most reliable companies, and issue policies from their office.

MONEY LOST AND FOUND.—Albert Dorman, the fishman, lost nearly $100 in a wallet, at Thorndike, on Thursday, and Wm. Clark found a small sum of money in his store the day before.

HIGHWAYS.—Our item on neglected highways, in last week's paper, touched a sympathetic chord in many a bosom, and an effort will be made at our next town meeting, to provide more efficient means for keeping our roads in repair.

LUDLOW.—The mills, dwelling houses and other property of the manufacturing corporation at Jenicksville, were sold at auction on Wednesday to Charles H. Hubbard of Boston, for $102,000. Mr. Hubbard intends to form a new company for the manufacture of coarse linen goods.

OWING to the storm, the annual meeting of the Palmer Cemetery Association was adjourned till Monday, March 9th, 7 o'clock P. M., at Dr. Lyon's office in this village.—Officers for the year will be chosen. It is hoped members will have interest enough to attend and keep alive the Association.

WALES.—At the town election at Wales the following officers were chosen for the ensuing year:

Clerk and treasurer—George S. Rogers; selectmen, assessors and overseers of the poor—F. L. Burley, Warren Needham, D. F. Parker; constable—Erasmus D. Shaw; school committee—D. F. Parker, H. A. McFarland, the former for three years, and the latter for one.

LOCAL CHEESE FACTORIES.—Last season the cheese factory at Wilbraham received 610,184 lbs. of milk, and made 58,670 lbs. of cheese. It took 10.40 lbs. of milk for 1 lb. of cheese. Whole expense of manufacturing and materials, $2.00 per hundred lbs. Income per one hundred pounds, $14.50. The factory at Warren received 498,741 lbs. of milk, and made 30,384 lbs. of cheese. It took 9.90 lbs. of milk for 1 lb of cheese. Expense of manufacturing, $1.13 per one hundred lbs. Net price per one hundred lbs., $11.24.

LOCK-UP.—The town has neglected furnishing a lock-up, notwithstanding the statutes provide that there shall be one. There ought not to be further delay in this matter. A great many way-farers who now crave charity and are sent to the almshouse, could be accommodated with a night's lodging in a lock-up and be saved the mortification of becoming temporary paupers. Besides the town has no place to shut up its criminals—often confining them in freight cars, tank houses and horse stables, for want of a better place. If the license bill now before the Legislature is to become a law, we shall need a lock-up more than ever. At the coming town meeting this matter should be attended to.

OUR SCHOOLS.—There is much complaint that there is so little schooling in some portions of the town, while in other parts schools are kept almost the year round. The committee is blamed, but the fault lies in the town, not the committee. One great step towards reform would be found in the abolition of the district system. The town was asked to do it last spring, but it tenaciously clung to the old system, and the schools suffer in consequence. We cannot afford to be so far behind the times. Other towns are stepping into the first ranks—their schools are better, their scholarship higher. They have given up the district system and given the management of the schools into the hands of a central committee. In time all the towns will follow, either by the force of legislative enactment or of their own choice. Why should Palmer be found among the hindmost? The district system breeds contention in the schools, destroys the best efforts of the town committee, and increases the expense of supporting schools. Cannot our citizens see it in that light, and change the system?

TOWN OFFICERS.—Our town meeting comes in a week from Monday, and there is thus early an unusual stir in nominating a board of town officers. There is a general disposition to make a clean sweep of the old board, but for economical reasons it would be well to retain some of them. Our present board of selectmen have done well for the town, and little or no complaint can be made against them. Yet there will be an entire new ticket in the field. The names of W. W. Cross, E. B. Gates, John Foster, and John Clough are prominently mentioned for the place. For assessors the names of D. B. Bishop, Purlin Shearer, and Hiram Converse are suggested. Only one member of the school committee is to be chosen, and Dr. Wm. Holbrook, whose term expires, should be re-elected. He has taken an active interest in our schools, giving much of his time for little remuneration, with the hope to elevate their standard of scholarship. For town clerk and treasurer we are to have a fresh candidate. Mr. Dimock, the present incumbent, is in favor of rotation in office, and will no doubt gracefully give way; besides, there are good reasons for a change. There seems to be a general desire to elect James B. Shaw as Mr. Dimock's successor. Mr. Shaw is a young, active merchant, having a good location, with admirable qualifications for the position. He is an excellent penman, a ready accountant, and will not blunder in the records nor neglect any duties of the office. The best men should be selected for town officers, regardless of political preferences, and we believe the tax payers of Palmer are disposed to do this.

MONSON.—A. K. Homer and H. G. Rogers have opened the old market in Tobey's block. Larater Munn and Frank King have purchased the grocery and provision store and market of Fuller & King, and will continue to "dispense blessings" in their line. H. H. Perry has purchased the Bates farm, on the East Hill.—A co-partnership is talked of, and will probably be consummated on the first of April, between Mr. G. O. Henry and H. E. Ahlrich, in the blacksmithing business. Hamilton White has not sold out his tin and stove store to Mr. King, as talked of, but will continue as heretofore.—The matter of repairing roads, to be considered at the next town meeting, is of no small importance. The manner of working out road taxes, as heretofore, does not give the public what the amount paid should accomplish, viz: good roads; but on the contrary as poor roads as can be found in Hampden county; and the matter of a new method will probably be presented at the next town meeting, which occurs on Tuesday, March 10th. If the plan adopted by other towns, of letting out the repairing of the roads for a term of years, were tried, even as an experiment, the public could then determine the feasibility of both plans.—Lyon's mill is running on full time, despite the hard times that other manufacturers complain of, and the majority of the help is hired for another season, which would seem to indicate good prospects ahead.—The saw mills are filled up with logs, which the good sledding has afforded an opportunity for drawing, and probably the usual quantity of lumber will be cut the coming season.—The "Cantata," by the Monson Philharmonic Club, will be presented on Tuesday evening next (March 10th), at the Congregational Vestry. Those who have failed to hear it heretofore, will need to improve this chance, as Mr. Lane, the director, will probably not repeat it again in this vicinity.—The Public Lyceum, on Wednesday, drew, as it usually does, a large and appreciative audience, and their exhibitions cannot be repeated too often to Monson people, who are particularly fond of free exhibitions.—The latest style of leap-year invitations, now coming into vogue somewhat in this vicinity, is "Miss ——, your company, with gentleman, is respectfully, &c." N.

TOWN MEETING.—At the town meeting in Ware, on Monday, March 2d, Charles A. Stevens was chosen moderator. Town clerk—Lewis P. Edwards; Selectmen—C. A. Stevens, A. J. Harwood, S. H. Phelps; Assessors—James Brakenridge, Benjamin Davis, Seth Pierce; Treasurer—Addison Sandford; School Committe—Henry Bassett, 3 years, Charles Robinson, 1 year; Collector—David P. Billings; Highway Surveyor in District No. 1—Jos. Cowles; Appropriated to common schools—$4415; high schools, $1350; contingent expenses, $5000; highways, $2000; new roads $2000; paupers, $1500.

WARE RIVER RAILROAD.—The corporators of the Ware River Railroad Company held a meeting Saturday, Feb. 15th, at the Hartwell House in Ware, and voted to accept the charter granted them last spring by the legislature. After voting to open books of subscription to the stock, and transacting some other preliminary business they adjourned to meet again at the same place, the 14th of March, for which see notice in another column.

TWO HEADS.—A cow belonging to Wm. Price of Ware, recently gave birth to a calf having two well formed heads.

ANOTHER MURDER IN WORCESTER.—Joseph Clark, keeper of a gambling establishment in Worcester, was robbed and murdered, Friday evening last week, in his rooms in Union Block. When found, his head was split open with the brains protruding. A rope was twisted hard around his neck, and kerosene was poured over the head and body. The bed was also set on fire. The murder must have been committed before nine o'clock. The murdered man's watch, money and diamond ring were taken. Two men are arrested. One is Silas James, of North Greenwich, R. I.; the other, Charles T. James of the same town, who has confessed the deed.

FATAL NAME.—One of the papers reports the discovery that President Harrison died in one month after taking Thomas Ewing into his Cabinet, and President Taylor died in six months after Mr. Ewing joined his councils. We should like to know if this is not really the Senate's ground for refusing to confirm President Johnson's nomination of Mr. Ewing, and choosing the impeachment rather than the risk.

HOW TO BREAK UP A MEETING.—At Epping, N. H., while Hon. Horace Maynard was addressing a Republican audience, a scamp threw on the hot stove some substance the fumes of which set the whole audience coughing, and finally necessitated an adjournment to other quarters.

NOT SUSTAINED.—Gen. Grant has decided that Gen. Hancock's action in removing the colored members of the New Orleans City Council cannot be sustained, and he has ordered the revocation of the proscriptive order.

PEACHES.—An Agricultural journal says the prospect for an abundant peach crop the coming season is very promising.

—Wednesday, last week, was the liveliest day ever witnessed in Boothbay, Me.—Twenty teams were engaged in sleighing on the harbor, which is within two miles of the open sea. Such a fact has not been known for forty years.

—Misses Annie E. Appleton, Emily Ruggles and Ellen M. Temple have been elected on the school committe of Reading.

WE publish, to-day, a card from Mrs. George White, of South Hadley, addressed to James L. Johnson, of Springfield, general agent of the Continental Life Insurance Company of Hartford, Ct., which illustrates both the value of life insurance and the promptness with which proper claims are paid.

Mr. White was insured in September, 1867, and died within three months thereafter, having been ill but three days. In his case an expenditure of only $10.95 has secured to his family the sum of $1000.

This company is one of those institutions for which our neighboring city of Hartford has become so noted, and the large number of its policy holders in this vicinity evince the estimation in which it is held among us. It is a company organized and conducted in the interest and for the benefit of the insured, furnishing the security of an ample capital, in addition to accumulations, without making the expense of such security an unreasonable burden upon the policy holders. It is customary with many mixed companies to allow to the owners of the capital stock a certain per centage of the net profits of the business in addition to legal interest upon the capital invested, which, though a moderate sum in the earlier years of the company's existence, may eventually withdraw from the policy holders a large sum, which, of right, belongs to them; but, by the charter of the Continental of Hartford, the owners of the capital stock can never receive a sum in excess of eight per cent. of the capital, however great the profits of the business may become, and this sum may be reasonably expected to be earned by the investment of the capital and the profits of the non-participating business, leaving the entire profits of the mutual department to be divided among the policy holders entitled to the same. To those who understand the rapid increase of accumulations in a properly managed life insurance company, and the great increase in net profits which each year of business brings, the advantage of the system adopted by the *Continental of Hartford* are apparent.

SOUTH HADLEY FALLS, MASS.,
February 18th, 1868.

MR. J. L. JOHNSON, General Agent of the Continental Life Insurance Company of Hartford, Ct:

Dear Sir,—I take pleasure in acknowledging, through you, the payment of the policy of $1,000 by the Continental Life Insurance Company of Hartford, Connecticut, on the life of my husband, Geo. White, deceased. It is to me a blessing in an afflicted home. I shall ever feel grateful to you for securing to me the advantage of a company so honorable in its transactions, and desire, after having known by experience the value of its mission, that it may meet with that success so truly deserved.

Respectfully yours, ELIZABETH S. WHITE.

MAJOR WM. ROSS, is agent for the above company in Eastern Hampden, office at Palmer.

A NEW FIELD OF FICTION.—The brilliant series of novels, by Miss Muhlbach, now in course of publication by the Appletons of New York, have commanded unqualified praise in all quarters. The authoress is a citizen of Berlin, in Prussia, and through her husband was connected with the court. Possessing unusual powers of intellect and access to the most ample historical details, she has shown her genius by delineating some of the most distinguished characters, and the great events of which Europe has been the theatre during the present century. The choice of her subjects indicates her powers. She takes the time of Frederick the Great, and Joseph the Second, for example, and, upon the background of facts which the chronicles of those periods afford, she embroiders the bright and sombre colors, the light and shade of her fiction, with the skill of a consummate artist. In all history there cannot be found more picturesque scenes, more effective groupings, than Miss Muhlbach finds in the annals of the German, French, and Russian courts of the last century. The main facts are so well known as to impart to her stories the true historic air; and before proceeding far in them, we become satisfied that in her description of persons, places, costumes, manners, and all that goes to make up the characteristic life of an epoch, she is conscientious and reliable.

But it is as novels that Miss Muhlbach's books possess their highest charm. All this exhibition of historical lore is but the means to the end. Her object is to write stories which shall enthrall her readers, and she does it. Not for many years—some say not since the Waverly Novels—have such entertaining, such thoroughly readable books appeared. No dull chapters mar the progress of her narratives. Hence her novels are of a kind that one wishes there were more of them. We never tire of her heroes and heroines; her "Frederick," "Joseph II. and His Court," "Napoleon," "Josephine," "Louisa of Prussia," &c. There can be no better evidence of the genius of a writer than this of portraying the same character in a series of books with historical consistency, and yet with undiminished interest. In Miss Muhlbach's case the interest increases as we advance in the life and fortunes of her favorite. A part of the charm, when we pause to analyze it, is her style—perhaps the freest and most sparkling that ever ran from woman's pen. It has an individual quality, hard to define, like that which we see in some pictures; but it is unmarred by mannerisms or grotesqueries of any kind.

We refer our readers to the advertisment of D. Appleton & Co., in another column.

FIRE IN PITTSFIELD.—Root's block at Pittsfield, containing the post-office and several stores, was destroyed by fire last Wednesday morning. Loss $50,000; partially insured.

COWHIDED.—A well-known citizen of Brooklyn, N. Y., was cowhided in the streets of that city on Saturday evening by an indignant woman with whose affections he had trifled by representing himself as a single man.

DEFALCATION.—A defalcation of $40,000 or $50,000 has been discovered in the North Providence Bank of Pawtucket, R. I. The cashier and one of the directors are understood to be involved.

GOOD IDEA.—In Ohio the Legislature has under advisement a bill requiring all election tickets to be printed on white paper and without emblems. Such a law is badly needed in every State, for under present regulations the sanctity and secresy of the ballot are purely mythical.

LISTENING FOR THE "TAP OF THE DRUM."—The Macon Journal says they are "listening for the tap of the drum and the first shot that will tell of an armed collision between hostile forces at Washington." We beg our Southern friends to be careful about keeping their ears on the stretch too much listening to these things. "Armed collisions" are not so common as in the days of the rebellion.

FATAL RAILROAD ACCIDENT.—Frank Avery, a freight conductor on the Boston and Albany Railroad, was killed on Saturday morning, at Huntington. In adding some cars in making up a train, which were run back, he failed to get out of the way, slipped and fell, when the cars passed over his neck, causing his instant death. He had been employed on the road ten years, and had a wife and three children.

EXTRAORDINARY ATTEMPT AT ESCAPE FROM PRISON.—A convict in the Sing Sing State Prison attempted to escape a few days ago, by crawling into a chimney. The man being missed, the guards commenced searching for him. One of the guards, while probing with a shovel, struck him on the head, which caused him to cry out. He had stowed away provisions enough to last him for a fortnight, and intended waiting a favorable opportunity to escape at night.

DEEP SNOW.—Eighteen inches of snow fell at Augusta, Me., last Sunday and Monday, and the roads are greatly blockaded.

MEMORIALS TO SOLDIERS.—Over 500 of Connecticut's memorials to her soldiers in recognition of their services, have been issued during the present week.

SPARRING FOR THE POOR.—Mike McCoole, the pugilist, gave a sparring exhibition Saturday night, in St. Louis, for the benefit of the poor of the city, which was largely attended.

DEAD.—Ex-Lieut. Governor Ford, of Ohio, expired Saturday. He has devoted the greater portion of his time, for the last year, in advocacy of the temperance reform.

TIT FOR TAT.—The tavern keepers in London are selling tea, because the grocers *will* sell wines and liquors. Singularly, the publicans sell better tea than the grocers, and at lower prices.

ARRESTED FOR LYNCHING.—Twelve men have been arrested at Frankfort, Ky., on the charge of being concerned in the lynching of a negro who raped a white girl and then killed her, on the 13 of January.

HORSE THIEF SHOT.—Four bullets fired by an outraged community have brought to his death Pope Converse, chief of a Missouri gang of horse thieves, guerillas and desperadoes.

MORE IMPEACHMENT.—Resolutions charging Governor Fenton with high crimes and misdemeanors, and asking the Legislature to impeach him were presented at the meeting of the Board of Aldermen in New York on Saturday.

WHY DON'T THEY DEFEND.—The enrollment of "Johnson Defenders" in New York is going on quite briskly. Recruiting offices have been opened in every Ward in the city, and thousands of men have enlisted their fortunes with the "Defenders."

RATHER STRONG.—Among the resolutions passed by the Union Club, of New York, at a meeting held Tuesday evening, last week, on the subject of impeachment, was this:—

"That when the dishonored memory of Andrew Johnson shall stink in the nostrils of the people of the Republic in the ages to come, the honored name of Thaddeus Stevens in every family that loves liberty and justice to all shall be a household word."

ANOTHER PROPOSED RAILROAD CONSOLIDATION.—A proposition is current to consolidate the interests of the Norwich and Worcester Railroad with those of the New London Northern. The Norwich and Worcester Road is to be the connecting link between the New London Northern and the Boston and Worcester, thus forming a very convenient passenger traffic line by the Long Island Sound between Boston and New York.

THE FAIR THING.—A rich pork dealer in Buffalo called his employees together one day last week, and, having read over a statement of his business for the past year, deducted ten per cent. for the capital invested. The balance of the profits was divided between himself and twenty-two of those who had been longest in his employment. The sum amounted in the aggregate to a month's salary for each, which was paid.

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THE FORTY-SECOND ANNIVERSARY OF THE AMERICAN SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION, IN THE ACADEMY OF MUSIC.—The festivities were presided over by Chief Justice Chase, who made an admirable speech. The Academy was crowded with a most appreciative audience, and a chorus of six hundred children sang with inspiring effect; with their clear, fresh voices, supported by a superb reed Organ, which was so unusually fine that it deserves especial notice. We have never heard such a beautiful musical effect from so comparatively small an instrument. We learn from the programme that it was one of the celebrated AMERICAN ORGANS, manufactured by S. D. & H. W. Smith, of Boston, and can appreciate the high praise which every one accords them, as they are among the very finest in America. Smith's Organs have a purity and volume of tone really astonishing for their size. One of our first musicians said to us, "The American Organs of Messrs. Smith are the most perfect and beautiful I have ever seen." We agree with him, and, having examined the instruments carefully, must give them unreserved praise. —*Philadelphia Item.*

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[From the Rochester (N. Y.), Express, July 31, 1867.]

A Remarkable Strawberry—The Golden Queen.—Mr. J. B. CLINE, No. 8 Howell street—an extensive grower and propagator of fruits—sent us yesterday (July 22) a quart of the Golden Queen Strawberry, which is probably the last of the present season. This fruit is quite well known for its superior flavor, and we need only speak now of its other advantages—in lateness of ripening and productiveness. As it comes after most of the other berries are dried up and out of bearing, it uniformly brings a higher price, especially where its excellence has been proved. Its large size also makes it an attractive market berry, and its productiveness a most profitable variety for market. The Golden Queen has sold in this market for from 35 to 50 cents per quart; and of its productiveness, a circular issued by Mr. Cline, will be ample testimony.

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DIED.

In Ware, ATHALIA B. TARBOX, 59.
In Brimfield, 25th ult., LORENZO, 29, only son of Hezekiah Tenney.
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Scorn not the slightest word or deed,
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There's fruit in each wind-wafted seed,
That waits its natal hour.

A whispered word may touch the heart,
And call it back to life;
A look of love bid sin depart,
And still unholy strife.

No act falls fruitless; none can tell
How vast its powers may be,
Nor what results unfolded dwell
Within it silently.

Work on, despair not; bring thy mite,
Nor care how small it be;
God is with all that serve the right,
The holy, true and free.

Rules for Preserving Health.

1st. Never hang yourself out of an open window when you go to bed at night. The attraction of gravitation is always powerful during the nocturnal hours, and it may draw you violently against the pavement, and tear your night shirt.

2d. Always avoid drafts—on yourself—unless they are endorsed by a man with lots of "soap."

3d. In cold weather always wear thick warm clothing about your body. If you haven't enough money to buy it, attend an inextinguishable conflagration in the vicinity of a first-class clothing store.

4th. If you wear spectacles avoid going into any firemen's riots that may be transpiring. The reason of this is, that in addition to having your feelings hurt, you will very likely get more glass in your eyes than you had outside.

5th. If you are quite a small baby be careful that there are no pins in your clothes, and always take a drink of milk punch out of a bottle with a gum thing on the nozzle, before you get into your cradle.

6th. In eating raw oysters always peel the shells off before swallowing. The shells are indigestible and are apt to lay on the stomach.

7th. Never sleep more than nine in a bed, even at a country hotel where a Democratic Convention is being held. It is apt to produce nightmare, if any of the party kick in their sleep. This is especially the case when they go to bed with their boots on.

8th. Abstain entirely from alcoholic drinks. The best way to do this is not to drink any alcohol.

9th. Never travel on railroad trains. Many have died quite unexpectedly by this imprudence.

10th. Never jab butcher knives, steel forks, and such things into your vitals; it is very unwholesome.

11th. Always come in when it rains, and if a rattlesnake bites you in the leg, cut it off, unless you wear false calves or a wooden leg. In that case just untie it and take it off.

I don't say that fellows who follow these instructions will never die and let their friends enjoy a ride to the cemetery, but you won't be choked off in the bloom of your youth and beauty.

By the way, isn't it odd that as soon as death overtakes us, man UNDERTAKES us? It is.

THINK BEFORE YOU SPEND.—Do you really need the article? It is probably a pretty trifle in dress, in furniture; but what solid benefit will it be to you? Or, is it some luxury for the table, that you can as well do without? Think, therefore, before you spend your money. Or, you need a new carpet, new sofa, new chairs, bedstead, or a new dress; you are tempted to buy something a little handsomer than you had intended, and while you hesitate, the dealer says to you, "It is only a trifle more, and see how far prettier it is." But before you purchase stop to think. Will you be the better a year hence, much less in old age, for having squandered your money? Is it not wiser to "lay up something for a rainy day?" All these luxuries gratify you only for a moment; you soon tire of them, and their only permanent effect is to consume your means. It is by such little extravagancies, not much separately, but ruinous in the aggregate, that the great majority of families are kept comparatively poor. The first lesson to learn is to deny yourself useless expenses; and the first step toward learning this lesson is to think before you spend.—*Economical Hints.*

CONCERNING DOORS.—When you get into your neighbor's premises, be sure to leave the doors as you find them. If you find a door shut you may reasonably suppose your friend wanted to have it shut, and therefore you have no right to leave it open; and if you find it open, no matter how cold the weather is, do you leave it open, for it is but reasonable to conclude that it was left open for some good purpose. And the same advice is good for all places, whether they may be houses, stores, factories, offices, or whatever they may be. Remember the rule; it has no exception. Leave the doors as you find them. If the owner of the door doesn't know how he wants it, how do *you* know how he wants it?

—The average density of population in New York city is equal to 32,000 per square miles, its 1160 acres of parks and other open spaces being included in the estimate. This gives to each person a space 12 yards long by 8 wide, in which to live and move and have his being.

—The Galaxy notices the extraordinary fact, that, according to newspapers, George Washington's negro has died not less than *six times*, between 1809 when he first died, and 1855, when he last died. And, curiously enough, he was never more nor less than 95 years old.

—Fanny Fern—and she ought to know—says that it is just as natural for a young girl to desire bonnets, sashes, gloves, and a lover, as it is for an old person to like an easy chair and a big pair of shoes.

—What song do the hens sing, after one has dropped an egg? Why, a round-de-lay, of course.

A COMPARISON.

Some people, says a cotemporary, are disposed to cry out at feminine extravagance, and go into fits over new bonnets and the like, but let us see what a little masculine indulgence costs. The following is suggestive:

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Twice two "cobblers" buys a tuck and side combs.

Twice four "lagers" buys a pair of lady's gloves.

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Twice six "punches" buys a Valenciennes lace collar.

Twice seven "ales" buys a pair of shoes.

Twice eight "toddies" buys a calico dress and cloth enough for a basque.

Twice nine "bitters" buys a summer bonnet, and leaves a trifle towards the veil and trimmings.

Twice ten "sangarees" buys a pair of stays, machine stitched, with patent eyelets embroidered beautifully down the back.

Twice eleven "slings" buys a collar and undersleeves, and leaves a balance towards the fringe.

Twice twelve brandy "straights" buys one balmoral, two pairs of stockings, waterfall, tilters, and silk parasol.

Twelve times twelve baskets of champagne pays house rent for a year and leaves a margin.

IMPURE WORDS.—Filthy conversation is a fruitful means of corruption. It is a channel by which the impurity of one heart may be communicated to another. And we know who hath said, "Evil communications corrupt good manners." Words are an index of the state of the heart. Hence said Christ, "By thy words shalt thou be condemned; and for every idle word that men shall speak they shall give an account thereof in the day of judgment." There are those whose conversation is filthy and disgusting. Parents should guard their children from such; and should themselves avoid every indelicate expression, and check the first appearance of any such a thing in their children. Beware, therefore, of impure words, and avoid foolish talking and jesting.

THAT'S SO.—Dr. Holmes says: "Many a woman rejects a man because he is in love with her, and accepts another because he is not. The first is thinking too much of himself and his emotions—the other makes a study of her and her friends, and learns what ropes to pull.

—A young lady, after reading attentively the title of a novel called "The last man," exclaimed, "Bless me, if such a thing were to happen, what would become of the women?" We think a more pertinent inquiry is, what would become of the poor *man*.

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For there's something up—you bet!

When a fellow comes the steeple,
And talks heavy of his set,
And runs down the common people,
Here's a busted egg—you bet!

Should a youth and maiden squabble,
If he gets into a pet,
You may leave them in their hobble,
For it won't last long—you bet!

And when Romeo is chanting
His songs to Juliet,
If anything is wanting,
It isn't *you*—you bet!

And now this song is ended,
It is time for me to get;
And if it should be commended,
He who sings will smile—you bet!

THE LOST MAIDEN.

A LEGEND UV NOO YORK AND CHICAGO.

PART I.

Twuz midnite in Noo York! A wild storm raged vielently over that city, which frequently occurs in the fall uv the yeer.—In a neet but unpretendin boardin-house, in a seklooded street, sat, in her room on the second flore, a maiden, o'er whose hed had flowed thirty-three summers. Time had not teched her litely. Her cheeks wuz sunken, wrinkles yawned hidjusly acrost her forehead, and lurked malishusly jist at the corners uv her month; her hair was scanty and thin, the pale red contrastin unfavorably with the white skin uv the scalp, wich showd thru pretty generally; her neck wuz like the swan's, not much, and her arms wuz skiuny, and her shoulders scraggy. The only handsum plnt about her wus her teeth, and them wuz good. She hed good taste in teeth, and bought the best she could find. They cost her forty-two dollars and a half, onto wich she hed at different times, expendid twelve dollars in repair, so they wuz ez good ez new.

Mabel Montressor wuz a high-minded seamstress, and whoever sed she wuz handsome lied in his throat like a base, falsehearted traitor ez he wuz, and in his mouth likewise, that bein the plaee where men generally lie. She alluz wnz humly. In her iufancy she wuz sed tu have ben the hnmliest child in the village in Noo Gersey, into wich she wuz born, and wat country prodoosis humlier? Eko answers. In her girlhood her vital energies wuz all expendid in her hands and feet, and in womauhood she hed growd thinner and thicker, and *vice versa*, wich is Latin for totherwise. In addishen to these charms, she hed acquired a habit uv squintin, aud wuz afflicted with a perpetual cold.

Mabel wus a sewin, wich she coutinooally did fur a livin, and ez she plied her needle, a bitter tear (wich is tew say, I spose it wuz bitter, coz all writers speak uv em ez sich) fell onto the fabrie wich she wnz makin. Snthin wuz wrong with her. Sum great greef wuz preyin onto her, sum ontold woe—sum desire onatainable—suthin ailed her. The faster she plied her needle, the faster the tears flew, ez though she wuz a thin pump, and her right arm the haudle thereof.

At this critikle pint, while the tears wuz a flowin faster than ever, there wuz a terrible peal uv thunder, and ez she started in terror from her seat, she observed sittin in front uv her, on the tother side uv the table—a man! She wood hev shrieked but terror tied her tongue. How did he git ther? No door hed opened, and uv his presence she was onaware, until he dawned upon her eye-site. Wat wuz he there for? No hnman bein wearin pantaloons hed ever sought her presenee afore, and onable to solve snch a staggerer, she snnk back onto her seat, and sobbed vielenter than ever.

The mysterious introoder wuz a pleasant lookin, middle-aged gentleman, dressed scrupoolnsiy in black, with patent leather boots, and white vest, and a white hat with crape onto it, and a gold chain hung onto his vest, and a cane, wich he carried rather janntily than otherwise. His countenanee, to yoose a mercantile phrase, wuz fair to middlin. It wuz ondeniably hansum, tho his eye glittered crooelly, suthin like a frozen mill-pond in winter. Sich eyes, by the way, aliuz indicate disagreeable death under em, and his lips too thin for genooine good hnmor, kept a wreathin themselves into a smile wich hedn't nothin in it, sich ez a rattlesnake might smile ez he charms a bird, or a tiger indulge in when he's satisfied he hez a sure thing, onto the unsuspeetin gentle gazelle, wich is approachin his lair. And hed Mabel Montressor biu behind him, she would hev observed thet he wuz at great pains to keep euried up under his coat a genooine tail, with a barb onto it, and thet his boots wuzn't jist ez they should hev bin.

"Maideu!" sed he, in a gentle wimnin voice, at wich word she started, for that wuz the secret uv her tronbles, "maiden, I know what greeves thee!"

She spoke not a word, but looked at him fixedly.

"I know what greef consumes thee,"—and he added to hinuself, "and it heint got mueh more to prey on eept hands aud feet,—"I kno why thou weepest."

"Speak on," sed she.

"Thou woods't have buty. Thou wood be even as other maidens are, fair to look upou. Thou wood'st hev thy hare ez blaek ez the raven's wing, without buyin di, wleh thou eaust not afford at the present prices of makin shirts. Thou woods't have a plump faee and a gineral plumptitood all over. Thou wood'st hev your feet redoost and the materials wasted in em placed where it would show to better advantage. Thou woods't lose them freekies wich is neither yooseful or ornamental, and thou woods't hev yonth aud gay attire to adorn thy yooth, and gold galore, and silver and precious stones, et settry.

"Yoo weep, Mabel, beeoz last night at church you saw each maiden hev her escort, and pare of two and two ez the animals entered the ark, but nary one looked at you, and you wended yoor way homeward thru the rain, alone and uneared for. Yoo wood change all this. Is't not so?

And bendin her head like a sunflower in a gale, she whispered, "It istest."

"Maiden," sed he, seezin her by the shoulder-bone, and fixin his eyes onto her with a hungry inteusity, "I kin give thee these and more."

"O, sir," she sed, "whichever yoo alr, O, give me em! give me em! But,"—as a doubt crossed her mind—"wat priee must I pay; wat must I do to gain all these?"

"Ouly sign yoor name. Here, maiden, is the dockeyment, sealed with a Notary's seal, with a Uulted States reveuue stamp onto it, aud a plaee left blank for yoor name. See, how beautifully the blank is printed! I hev em done here in Noo York so ez tu hev em handy where I do the heft uv my bizuis. Sign, Mabel, sign!"

"Read it to me," sed she, "read it to me."

He read it. It wuz a artiele uv agreement, in which he promised to give her yooth, beauty, wealth—ez much uv them articles ez she should order on demand, for the space uv ten years, in considerashun uv which she should, at the end uv that time, beeome hisn, body an soul."

"Aud who are yoo?" sed she, trembling, her system shakin like castanets.

"The Devil, Mabel, hisself in person!"

"Avaunt!" she eried, drawing herself up to her full hite, ez all heroines do when they say "avant."

"Shell I go and leave yoo here—yaller haired, freekled, and seraggy Mabel?" sed he, sardonically.

She had bin revelin in a dream uv bliss while he had bin a talkin, and in imaginashun hed bin all he had painted her, and the thought uv goin back into her old condishun wuz too much. She thot uv the nite afore, she remembered thet she never had a beau but wunst, aud he wuz a lame shoemaker, who never came the second time, and in a fit uv frenzy she exclaimed, "I will sign," and tried to fall, overeome with emotion, onto his neck.

"Not any uv that," sed he, dodgin, "bizniz is bizniz, but please don't." And he whipped out a laneet and tled up her arm, so ez she should n't bleed too much, for it alluz wuz the regler thing for such contraets to be signed in the blood of the victim, tho I don't see why red ink woodent do ez well, ef twuzent for the preeedent; aud she signed.

Ez the final eurl wuz put to the tail of the "r," there wuz another clap uv thunder, into wich he seezeed the fatal scroll, and vanished ez he eame, without goin thru ary door, and leavin behind him a perceptible odor uv sulphur.

The next morning Mabel Montressor was missin. Quietly she packed her trunk and bought a ticket for Chicago, by the way uv the Noo York and Erie, without fear, for she knowed that for ten years she wuz safe. She wuz never seen no more in Noo York.

PART II.

Chicago! Mabel Montressor wuz at her toilet in a luxurous mansion on Wabash avenue, which she had bought nine years and eleven months afore, and was okkepyin. She wnzn't the Mabel Montressor we seed at the opinin uv this legend, not by no means. A more beautiful female never stood afore a lookin glass. Her teeth hed growd out agin; her hair hed eum in thicker and longer than any yoo see on the labels nv the Hair Restorers; her skin wuz ez pure ez Alabaster, her neck wuz trooly like a swan's, and her arms wuz ronnded ez they ought to be. Her feet wuz shrunk into 3's or 3½'s, and altogether she wuz allowed by good jndges to be the most perfeckest piece of femininity in them parts. She didn't powder, coz no powder eood improve her complexion; she didn't paint coz no paint eood rival the roses in her cheeks; and she dldu't embellish her figger, eoz there wuz no neeessity for it. Wheu the devil makes a eontraet uv this kind he alluz fulfils his part out to the letter. Lovers! she hed em by the thousand. Half uv the noble youths in Chicago wuz at her feet. They sighed for possessiou uv her matehless charms; they sighed for her wealth onto wich to go into the wheat biznis; but to all she turned a deef ear. Her motto wuz "exeisior," and she wuz waitin for some noble Lord, some Grand Dook or some prineely potentate or power to fall at her feet. And besides, she hed growd eapricious aud wayward, aud it wuz a souree uv serene pleasure to her to hev 'em danglin after her.

Wun nite Mabel stood at her toilet preparing herself for a gay assemblage, at wich she wuz soon to be the admired uv all admirers. She wuz jist puttin the last touch to herself, and wuz admirin the effeek in the mirror, when, horror! ther wuz another face beside hern in the glass! She shreeked, for it wuz the identiele faee wich she hed stood afore ten years ago in her desbit ehamber in Noo York.

"Mabel," sed he, "I am eum for yoo. Didst yoo think, Mabel, when yoo left Noo York that I eood never fiud time to eum here after thee? Foolish girl! Know that two-thirds uv the inhabitants uv that eity eum to me uv their own aeeord. Here is the contract, but"—a frown o'erspred his eountenance—"I hev mistaken the date. Yoo hev yet a month before yoo fall due. Never mind," sed he to himself, "the time alu't wasted. I never yet failed to make a trip to Chicago pay. I shel be here agin in a month—be reddy."

Mabel Moutressor went to the party nevertheless, aud wuz the gayest uv the gay. Ah! eood those who envied her hair hev knowed by what means she beeame possessed uv it! Cood those who notist the heavin uv her buzzum knode how heavy the heart she wuz earryin underueath it! But they didu't. They never do.

That uite wuz one uv onmixed agony. She paced the floor till the dawnin uv the day, and wept and tore her hair, and tore her hair and wept. Wuz there no way to escape him? Eood she not outwit him? Wuz ther no flaw in the contract? Wuz sieh eontrax bindin under the laws uv Illinoy? To all these questions she got no answer, and finally in her despair she went to the minister uv the church in wich she hed bin sleepin ever since she hed biu in Chicago, ez all people do when the Devil gets after 'em. She told him her story, weepin till the earpet wuz soaked.

"Mabel," said he to her tenderly ez is the custom uv preachers when they are givin advice to young and prepossessiu females, "Thou didst foolishly. Wat is the transitory things uv life; wat is beauty, wealth and sieh, ef yoo can'st no enjoy em forever?"

"Troo, father," sed she, "but I've hed a huukky time uv it for ten years, yoo bet. Yoo canst not appreciate my sitooashen. Owin to yoor sex yoo uever kin be a seraggy female, yaller-haired and freekled, and runnin mostly to hands and feet. If yoo hed bin sieh yoo'd hev dun ez I did."

"Mabel, one way remains, and only oue: when the areh-fiend eometh, give him back all that he gavest thee; tell him to restore thee to thy normal ugliness, and the eontract is at an end."

"But wat shel I do then?"

"Ef yoo are too ugly to move in good society, turn reformer, my ehild, and go to lectrin on woman's rites. Why didn't yoo thiuk uv that afore?"

And she took his advlee. Preeisely ez the eloek struck twelve, on the uite uv the thirty-first uv the twelfth month uv the tenth year (she wuz in her ehamber), before her stood her visitor; this time without his eoat and hat and gentlemanly attire. When the devil makes a bargain, he alluz appears fixed np; when he eomes for his pay, he is not sieh a pleasant lookin individjile. [Note by the author.—I learned that wunst in a fit ov delirium tremens, caused by bein a candidate for a county offiee in Injiany.]

"Avant," sed Mabel, "I rue the bargain. I will not go!"

"My dear," retorted he, "it's too late. Yoo can't back out. Here! see! Here is the eontraet dooly signed and sealed, and the stamps suffisheut. My dear, yoo must go!"

"Place me," shreeked she, "ez yoo found me. Take back these wealth, them beauty, these hair, these teeth, and give me baek my old set, wich wuz ez good ez new. I will not go! Our arrangement is at an end."

"Mabel," said he, a smilin sardonically, and fixin onto her a wieked eye, "look at this! Ha, ha!"

As he held afore her a photograph wich she hed hed taken ten years ago, aud wieh she thot she hed destroyed. There wuz the yaller hair, the wrinkles, the freekles, the skinny neck, the long hands, and the feet, wieh even hoops wuz insuffishent to hide; and as her eyes were glued onto it, the devil smiled still more sardonically.

"Wood yoo be agin like these, and be agin beneath the notis uv a lame shoemaker?" sed he.

"Never!" shreeked she, "take me!" and she fell faintin into bis arms.

When the servants eame up the next mornin at eleven a. m., their mistriss she wuzn't there. There wuz, however, a strong odor uv brimstun prevadin the apartment, wieh eompletely overpowered the Nite bloomin Serious wieh stood open onto her table. The servants helped theiselves to her elothes and jewelry, and all uv them marrried well and hed large families. The house wuz sold for taxes, ez is the eustom of the city, and wuz fiually eonvertid into a boardin-house.

MORAL.

There is several morals to be drawd from this legeud: The prineipal wuu uv of wich is that the onqueuehable desire for bein handsum and rieh is wat generally sends women to the devil. Ef the readers sees euy other moral iuto it, he is privileged to extract it. He pays his money, aud kin do ez he likes.

A BACHELOR ON SLEIGHING.

Thiugs matrimonial are sour grapes to old bachelors. Sleighing is a matrimouial kind of thing; at least a good deal of matrimony has always followed elosely on the heels of a good deal of sleighing. An old, dried up, shriveled up, hard up old chap, whose heart never experieneed that divine afflatus that eomes of love, thns talks of sleighing.

"If you meet a couple, one of whom is a female, and the other ain't, is trying to make figure 8s on the snow with his whip, and squirting tobaeeo juice into the circles, while the woman looks straight ahead, or leans a little t'other way, it may be safely set down as a mau and wife of some standing. If two youthful heads are bent down over some pretended euriosity ou the robe, while the horse has the getting along left wholly to his diseretion, this iudieates the first symptoms of a softening of the heart aud generally of the brain! Wheu you meet a dashing pair, with a team that is really on the dash, ribbons twisted round the driver's arm, with a mighty loug whip in the socket, they may be set down as somebody else's wife taking an airing with somebody else's husband. When you see a blooming young widow snuggling up to a beaver overcoat like a sick kitteu to a hot brick, this means a wedding—if the widow can have her way about it." And so on.

IMAGINATION OF THE ELEPHANT.—A writer in the Loudon Spectator asserts that the elephant is a highly imaginative animal, and quotes the Ceylon engiueers, who say when they survey ways through the forests and plant woodeu tracing pegs to mark the levels taken during the day, their tracing pegs are generally removed during the night by elephants, who are uneasy till they understand these novel symptoms of human ageney. It is clear, then, that the elephants are rendered uneasy, troubled in their imaginations, by these curious marks of special and unexplained human interest in their dwelling place. Indeed it is a recognized and generally very successful way to eseape a vicious elephant to throw down anything complieated in his path, which in his eaution, he will examiue so earefully before he proeeeds, as to give his ehase time to eseape. Col. Hardy, in 1820, saved himself from a vicious "rogue" elephant by throwing down his dressing case, which the creature in questlon wauted to force open aud examine miuutely instrument by instrument. Another peeuliarity of the animal is that the herds will never mingle. When suspicious of danger they throw out pickets, which are stationed after eareful reeonnoitering by the leader of the herd. Whenever a herd of elephants is at bay, it always follows one leader, and if that leader is slain, follows the uext, aud so on till the last is left in isolation.

—A gentleman who wanted to make a speech to a Sunday School thought he would adopt the colloquial style, and this is what happened: "Now boys' what does a man waut when he goes fishing?" A shrill voiee in the erowd went direct to the point with, "Want's a bite."

—When intoxieated, a Frenchman wants to danee, a German to sing, a Spaniard to gamble, an Englishman to eat, an Italiau to boast, a Russian to be affectionate, an Irishman to fight, and an American to make a speech,

—A bible class was asked to name the precious stones mentioned in the bible.—After several scholars had giveu answers, one little fellow was called out, "Well, Thomas, what precious stones have you found?" "Brimstone," was the reply.

—A gentleman who had a very deaf servant was advised by a friend to discharge her. "No, no," replied the gentleman with much good feeling. "That poor creature could never hear of another situation."

—Little Hattie loved to look at the moon, and one evening she ran in to call her mother to come and see what a whole lot of "little babies the moon had."

—Ancient and modern Greece are now known among classical students as whale oil and petroleum.

—Should you happen to whistle in a printing office, and the compositor tells you to whistle louder, don't you do it.

—When is a lover like a tailor? When he presses his suit.

The Retort.

Old Birch, who taught the village school,
Wedded a maid of homespun habit;
He was stubborn as a mule,
And she was playful as a rabbit.
Poor Kate had scarce become a wife
Before her husband sought to make her
The pink of country polished life
And prim and formal as a Quaker.

One day the tutor went abroad,
And simple Katie sadly missed him;
When he returned, behind her lord
She slyly stole and fondly kissed him;
The husband's anger rose; and red
And white his face alternate grew;
"Less freedom, ma'am!" Kate sighed and said,
"O dear! I didn't know 'twas you."

INSTRUCTIVE PARABLE.

A certain man going down from youth to manhood, fell among grog-shops, where he was stripped of his money, his character, and his friends, and left poor, and half dead with disease.

And by chance there came dowu a certain moderate drinker that way, aud when he saw him he passed by on the other side.

And likewise a friend of Temperance came where he was, aud when he saw him he passed by on the other side.

But a Temperance man, as he journeyed, came to where he was, aud when he saw him he had compassion on him, and went to him, and wept over him, and besonght him with tears to repent and reform.

And he persuaded him to sit upon his own beast, Total Abstinence, and brought him to his family, and they took eare of him.—And in the morning he spake kindly to him and offered up prayers for him, and he departed.

Which of these was neighbor to him who fell among grog-shops?

THE STRUGGLE FOR LIFE.—Certain native animals of New Zealaud seem to give way before those from Europe, with wlieh they are brought in eontact. The Norway rat has completely exterminated the native rat of New Zealand. The English house fly drives out the blue-bottled native. Capt. Cook carried pigs to New Zealand and they have increased so rapidly that the landlords now offer rewards for killing them. English weeds monopolize the soil. European clover exterminates the native flax plant, and European annuals destroy the New Zealand perennials. These facts tend to prove that organisms of the northern latitude are more hardy than those nearer the equator.

GIRLS.—It is well said that "there are two kinds of girls. One is the kind that appears best abroad—the girls that are good for parties, rides, visits, etc., and whose chief delight is in such things. The other is the kiud that appears best at home—those that are useful and cheerful in the dining-room, sick-room, and all the precincts of home. They differ widely in character. One is often a torment at home, the other a blessing. One is a moth, consuming everything about her; the other is a sunbeam, inspiring light and gladness all around her pathway. The right education will modify both a little, and thus unite the good qualities of both in one."

READ THIS, YOUNG MAN!—When Moses Kelly, the Ohio murderer, was about to be hung, he made a full confession, whereiu he very toneliingly said:—"I have violated, grossly violated the laws of my country, sinned against my God, and my physical life must be the penalty. I must die! die! Dear friends, do you not know that you, too, must die?—that you, too, are seutenced by the Great Judge of all the earth, and some of you may die as soon as myself? Young man, take warning from what you see before you, and flee from bad company. Drinking, gambling, idolatrous companions, have placed me where you now see me."

MODEL LETTER.—The following letter is a perfect model in its way. We certainly hope it is a unique specimen:—

"*Dear Brother:*—I've got one of the handsomest farms in the State, and have it nearly paid for. Crops are good, prices never were better. We have had a glorious revival of religion in our church, and both our children (the Lord be praised) are converted. Father got to be quite an incumbrance, and last week I took him to the poor-house. From your affectionate brother."

THE DIFFERENCE.—In youth we rode out one morning from Saratoga to Schenectady with a fellow student. On our way we stopped at a little Dutch tavern to get some breakfast. Two bouncing girls made their appearance and asked what we would have? "Bread and milk," we replied. "Yankees always choose sweet milk, while we prefer sour." "Will you have the biscuit mumbled or crumbled?" was the next question. We asked, what difference there was? "O, it is crumbled with the fingers, and mnmbled with the teeth."

—Rev. J. E. Clark illustrates the need of brevity and point in addresses to children, by a story of a clergyman who wearied a little girl by his long sermon, and as he was gathering himself for a new assault she cried out: "Oh, mother! he isn't going to stop at all, he is swelling up again!"

—An editor out West, says: "If we have offended any man in the short but brilliant course of our career, let him send us a new hat and say nothing about it."

WHAT MEN HAVE DIED FOR.

Col. Montgomery was shot in a duel about a dog; Col. Ramsey in one about a servant; Mr. Featherstone in one about a recruit; Sterne's father in one about a goose; and another gentleman in one about an acre of anchovies; one officer was challenged for merely asking his opponent to enjoy the second goblet, and another was compelled to fight about a pinch of snuff; Gen. Barry was challenged by a Captain Smith for declining wine at a dinner on a steamboat, although the General had pleaded as an excuse that wine invariably made him sick; and Lieut. Cowther lost his life in a duel because he was refused admittance to a club of pigeon-shooters. In 1777, a duel occurred in New York city between Lieut. Feasherstonehaugh of the 76th, and Capt. McPhersou, of the 42d British regiment, in regard to the manner of eating an ear of corn, one contending that the eating was from the eob, and the other conteuding that the grain should be cut off from the cob before eating. Lieutenant Feasherstonehaugh lost his right arm, the ball from his antagonist's pistol shattering the limb dreadfully so much so that it had to be amputated.—Graham, Major Nosh's assistant editor of the National Advocate, lost his life in 1827, at the dueliug ground at Hoboken, with Barton, the son-in-law of Edward Livingstone, in a simple dispute about "what was trumps" in a game of cards.

THE TRIALS OF YOUNG MEN.

A New York paper remarks that every young man's wardrobe is a scene of fearful dilapidation, arising not so much from impecuniosity as from an inability to find some one to do the required repairing. The young man boarding in New York, that is, the young man without any mother or sister to care for his clothes, is but a whited sepulchre. Outwardly he may appear in the height of fashion, and arrayed in all the gogeousness of purple aud linen; but inwardly he is the abode of rents and tears.

The lining of that handsome overcoat is diversified with large gashes from which protrude unseemly wadding; the trousers pockets are furnished with little holes through which a procession of pen-knives, nickle cents, meerschaums, and door keys quietly meander down the leg to the pavement; the waistcoat is without its buckles at the back; the collar is held in its place by an ingenious and skillful device of pins, and the shirt—alas! the shirt!—it is but a memory of the late lamented buttons whose place knows them no more.

A HINT TO WORKING WOMEN.—Where is the sense in a woman's starving because she has no food in her hands, when a woman is starving by her side because she has no hands for her food? I feel indignant when I hear these multiplied stories of wholesale destitution. I am disposed to say to these women: If you choose to stay at home and perish rather than go into your neighbor's kitchen and supply your wants, do so; but do not appeal to those for pity from whom you refuse employment. I know there are many who are tied to their own wretched homes; but if those who are unencumbered would resort to the kitchens of the rich, it would relieve the stress of competition, those who remain would command a better price for their labor, and starvation would be permanently stopped. I do not say this because housework is woman's sphere, but because it is honest work that calls her, and any honest work in her power is better than starvation, and more dignified than complaint and outery. If it were picking apples, gathering huckleberries, instead of housework, I should recommend that just the same.—*Gail Hamilton.*

DOES FARMING PAY?—Discussing this oft-mooted subject, Mr. Morris, of Lancaster, Penn., writes to the Rural New Yorker thus sensibly and logically in the affirmative: "This question is frequently propounded as though there were a doubt about it. But there is none. In the aggregate it must pay, else all other vocations must be speedily abandoned. Farming is the base on which the social edifice rests, but its remuneration to individuals depends upon the intelligence which guides farm labor. With some, owing to a lack of money, the information essential to success, or to an improvident use of what they have, farming is not remunerative; but with the mass the case is different, and each year shows in the aggregate increased accumulation. Farming, therefore, like other business, intelligently and systematically pursued, pays, and if failures here and there occur, as in other pursuits, they are the exceptions, while general success is the rule."

STUDY YOUR PROFESSION.—It is not alone the energy that wields the spade or holds the plow that insures success. The culture of the mind must go hand in hand with the culture of the soil. The relations of science to the farmer's calling are intimate. Good books are aids in the attainment of knowledge, but never pin your faith on the *ipse dixit* of any individual—think, experiment, and judge for yourself.

—When you pass a door after nine o'clock at night, and see a young man and a young woman, and hear a smack, you may bet your bottom dollar that the young man don't live there.

The Journal.

SATURDAY, MARCH 14, 1868.

PRESIDENT JOHNSON'S friend, Attorney General Stanbury, has sent his resignation to the President, and the resignation will probably be accepted. He has been a pliant tool in the hands of Johnson, and the country will lose nothing by getting rid of him. He expects to return to plague Congress, by acting as counsel for Johnson in the impeachment trial.

THE U. S. House of Representatives has passed a bill repealing all taxes on manufactures except spirits, petroleum, tobacco, oil and gas, from April 1st till the passage of the general tax bill, which will not take place for several months. This will give manufacturers a chance to see if Government taxes make dull times, and for the Government to find out whether it can get along without the tax. The Senate will, no doubt, pass the bill, so that it may go into effect April 1st. But it is not so clear how Government is going to get revenue sufficient to pay its expenses.

THE Pope has undertaken to discipline Catholic ladies who presume to become acquainted with the elements of modern science, forbidding the study of the sciences as something unsuitable and unbecoming the female sex. The Pope, however, has spoken too late. In France schools have been founded for teaching all the scientific branches, and his Holiness cannot suppress them. It is something unusual for ecclesiastical authority to interfere in the education of the young, and it is a good sign to notice that the Catholics are not disposed to submit to such dictation.

SOME progress is making in the Legislature, and as committees are reporting, the work will grow more lively. The House, having given the license bill a chance to rest, is endeavoring to pass a law prohibiting the killing of partridges, quails, woodcock and snipe for the next three years, under a penalty of $5 for each offence. The Senate has before it a bill appropriating $40,000 in aid of the Female Seminary at South Hadley. Both branches were in convention on Wednesday and elected Thomas F. Plunket, of Pittsfield, Wm. Mixter of Hadwick, and Jonathan D. Wheeler of Grafton, Directors of the Boston and Albany Railroad.

THE Democrats affect to be in mortal terror lest a colored man shall be elected to Congress from the South. On this point their fears may be quieted, for the Constitution requires that, to be a member of the House, the person shall have been for seven years, and to be a Senator for nine years a citizen of the United States. Now the citizenship of colored men in the Southern States cannot possibly antedate President Lincoln's proclamation, and probably Congress would hold that it began only upon the official certificate of the adoption of the Anti-Slavery amendment to the Constitution, which was promulgated on the 18th of December, 1865. Now, if the seven and nine years probation holds good, it follows that (Congresses beginning the first Monday in December) it will be 1873 before a colored Representative, and 1875 before a colored Senator can be lawfully admitted.

THE Republican State Convention at Worcester on Thursday, to select delegates at large to the Chicago Convention was largely attended, over 1200 delegates assembling, with an enthusiasm seldom witnessed on such occasions. Daniel W. Gooch, of Melrose, was president of the Convention, and W. S. Robinson secretary. Tickets were numerous, and all sorts of combinations were made. Springfield managed to send delegates who opposed Mr. Alexander, and Mr. Ladd, their spokesman, made an unhandsome speech in the Convention, which recoiled upon his efforts to elect ex-mayor Briggs and increased the majority for Alexander. On the first ballot WM. CLAFLIN, of Newton, HENRY ALEXANDER, jr., of Springfield, GEORGE B. LORING, of Salem, and FRANCIS W. BIRD, of Walpole, were elected delegates to the National Convention, and their substitutes are Charles O. Rogers, of Boston, John B. Alley, of Lynn, Joseph Tucker, of Lenox, and William Coggswell, of Salem. The Convention listened to speeches from Dr. Loring, of Salem, and Rodney French, of New Bedford, and passed brief resolutions in favor of Gen. Grant for President, and Henry Wilson for vice-President; also congratulating New Hampshire on its Republican victory, and approving Congress in its attempt to impeach Andrew Johnson.

SPRING FLOODS.—The recent rains, it would appear, have caused great damage all over the Northwest. By the breaking of an ice-gorge at Aurora, Ill., several dams and bridges were more or less damaged, and at Rockport, in the same State, the breaking of the ice caused the water to rise higher than it ever rose before. A heavy snow and rain storm prevailed Friday at Kansas City, Mo.

THE LARGEST IN THE WORLD.—Chicago is going to have the largest and most elegant railway depot in the world. It is to be built entirely of stone, by the three leading railway companies centering in that city; will be over 1,300 feet long, and will cost, when completed, nearly $2,000,000.

DEATH PENALTY.—The question of the abolition of the death penalty, which has during the past few years engaged the attention of nearly every Parliament in Europe, will shortly come up in the English House of Commons.

Progress of Impeachment.

The prospect of immediate trial of the President on charges of impeachment is not very good. The Chief Justice did not sign the summons of the Impeachment Court to the President until late Saturday afternoon, although it is announced that the writ was signed and served Saturday night. The writ is in the usual form of a court process, and was personally handed to the President Saturday evening. He was to have appeared yesterday to make answer, and he no doubt asked for suitable time in which to prepare his defence. The court may limit this defence, but it is highly probable that a liberal opportunity will be afforded for him to meet the charges made against him. The impeachment managers are taking testimony so as to be in readiness for trial. Meantime Congress keeps on with its legitimate business, and it is proposed that the House continue in session during the trial of Johnson. The President pretends to be unconcerned about the trial, having confidence to believe that he shall succeed in staving it off until his term of office expires or that he shall be acquitted. He is accordingly holding levees at the White House, and feasting his friends on the fat of the land. No doubt the handwriting on the wall disturbs his slumber, but he is obstinate and determined, hoping with the hope of desperation to outwit or outflank Congress in its efforts to impeach him.

New Hampshire All Right.

One of the hardest fought political contests ever known in this country took place in New Hampshire on Tuesday. Republicans and Democrats had thoroughly canvassed the State, and the best political orators had been employed to stir up the voters to action. Each party seemed confident of success, and money was used without stint to secure victory. The result is satisfactory, and sounds the first note of encouragement to the Republicans in the grand campaign of the year. Notwithstanding the extraordinary efforts made by the Democrats, who paid as high as $75 and $80 for votes, they were unmercifully beaten, the Republicans reelecting Gov. Harriman by over 3000 majority. Both branches of the legislature are radically Republican, and the State is thoroughly saved from copperheads, and will roll up a round majority at the Presidential election next November.

This result will strengthen Congress in its stand on the impeachment question, while it will chill the hopes of the opposition and shake the faith of Johnson in the boasts of his friends to sustain him. Connecticut will fight her battle next, and the prospect is good that she will follow New Hampshire in the path of victory.

ODD ENOUGH.—It is certainly odd enough that Chief Justice Chase should now give as a reason for again postponing the trial of Jeff. Davis that he must first preside at the trial of Andrew Johnson. When Davis fell into the hands of justice, Johnson, of all men in the country, most earnestly demanded his trial and punishment. Three years have passed away, Johnson himself is denounced as a traitor and enemy of the country, and the trial of Davis is postponed in order that the trial of Johnson may be prosecuted.

FRUIT PROSPECT.—A farmer of much skill and experience gives it as his opinion that such a winter as we have been having is a natural prelude to an abundant fruit year. The ground has been steadily frozen and covered with snow—free from the alternate freezings and thawings which are so injurious to the trees and weakening or destructive to the fruit buds.

COLD PLACE.—At St. Cloud, Minnesota, recently, the mercury sank to 40 degrees below zero one morning, and froze, and a spirit thermometer indicated 44 degrees below. But so dry was the air, and so brightly shone the sun, that little inconvenience was felt.

SENSIBLE.—A lady in New Orleans petitions the City Council to pay her fare to Washington, where she expects to receive $625,000,000 from an English estate. It all depends on her getting money enough to go to Washington.

PHILADELPHIA BLESSINGS.—Philadelphia is a busy city socially, having been blessed with over 6,000 marriages, 17,000 births, and near 14,000 deaths during the past year. That is doing pretty well for a Quaker city.

CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETIES.—There are twelve co-operative societies in Massachusetts, with an aggregate capital stock of $56,965 and numbering 1841 members.—Nearly all these societies are doing well.

ANOTHER FLYING MACHINE.—Walter S. Hutchings, of St. Louis, has constructed a flying machine, which is to go with wings operated by compressed air and a caloric engine.

STEAM MAN.—The steam man has been brought to New York, but its stomach is a little out of order, and it don't operate as well as it did. When cured it is expected to travel at the rate of sixty miles an hour.

UNFAVORABLE FOR WIVES.—A Chicago judge has decided that if a wife don't behave herself her husband has a right to trounce her.

BURNED TO DEATH.—Hannah Sullivan, 20 years of age, was burned to death in the destruction of a house at Manchester, on the 9th inst.

INDIGESTIBLE.—An eagle has been killed at Montpelier, Vt., which had a chain in its crop 24½ inches long.

GOOD FARES.—The George's fishing fleet continue to bring in good fares, and to be exempt from loss.

LETTER FROM BOSTON.

From Our Own Correspondent.

BOSTON, March 9, 1868.

THE JOURNAL, in its new dress and general make-up, wins commendation from eastern eyes. It is, as one of our editors here says, "one of the ablest of our country papers," and deserves the success it has gained. Long may its banner wave!

The mild, vernal weather yesterday told on our church audiences. For the last two Sabbath mornings the mercury has been near zero, and too many church-goers kept near their hearth-stones. Rev. W. H. Mallalieu, of the Bromfield street Methodist Church, preached a discourse in severest condemnation of the Boston stage. The lewdness there exhibited ought to make one blush, and any lady, he thought, who consented to gaze on it, placed herself on a level with prostitutes. A dramatic critic who for years has been a *habitue* among our play-houses, confessed to me to-day that he tired of these things. So does any sensible man.

While thousands of the *beau monde* are squandering their money in pleasure the poor are suffering severely. Multitudes are out of employment, and others earn but a pittance. I asked a poor fellow whom I have seen all winter shivering over a "gripping machine," in reference to his receipts, and found that they had not averaged over a cent an hour. Some sell linen lacings at "ten cents a dozen," others beat a tamborine, and multitudes display their sightless, legless or armless persons as the most effective plea for money.

Notwithstanding the "hard times" our leaders in journalistic enterprise are pushing forward new projects. The Boston Journal is to have an elegant building on Washington street; the Advertiser is now settled in its new central quarters; and the Post, it is announced to-day, has bought a lot for $150,000 on the corner of Water and Devonshire streets, on which will rise a costly structure, probably during the coming summer. The quiet of Pemberton Square is steadily invaded by business. Another of our oldest families have quitted their mansion next to the Missionary House, and it is said $10,000 is to be spent in putting it into shape for business offices. The steep acclivity of this part of Beacon street renders the square unfit for warehouses, and probably in time the blocks will all be filled with lawyers, doctors, agents, &c.

Charles Drew, one of our best marine painters, has opened a new art store under the Museum, which is drawing crowds of the art-loving public. In the same neighborhood Child & Co. have their gallery, which strangers in Boston find a favorite resort. Maud Muller is the central object, and Brown, Putman, and other eminent artists are well represented. But I remember the Spanish proverb, "He is not wise who leaves no ink in his inkstand," and therefore come to a full stop now, leaving other matters which deserve notice till another time.

TIRWING.

WHAT THE RADICALS WILL DO.—A democratic paper in New Hampshire, just before election, tried to frighten people by telling them what terrible fellows the Republicans are. It said:—"They mean to seize the government, that they may extend the term of their power and perpetuate the confusion, distrust and distress under which we all labor as the result of their seven years' misrule. They mean to degrade the Executive; to muzzle the Judiciary; purge each branch of Congress of members holding opposing opinions; make new States and increase the number of Radical Senators; introduce twenty Senators on a negro basis from the ten Southern States; use the public purse for the gratification of their own unrestrained desires; and enforce all their decrees, North as well as South, on the suffrage and every other matter, with the sword."

WHAT A HUSBAND'S LIFE IS WORTH.—A lady whose husband was drowned through the upsetting of a row boat in New York Bay last summer, sued the steamboat owners for damages. She assessed her husband at $5000, but the jury, who, being men, may be supposed to know how much a man is really worth to his family, set him down at the moderate estimate of six hundred dollars, which amount they awarded to his widow.

THE FEARS OF MR. PHILLIPS.—Wendell Phillips has fears that the United States Senate will fail in coming up to the full measure of the present crisis. After stigmatizing that body as made up of "calf-skin" fed lawyers, "greedy men using their places for profit" and "party plotters," he says: "We shall not be surprised if Johnson is able to bribe or bully the Senate into an acquittal."

FIRES IN FEBRUARY.—There were throughout the United States in the month of February 62 fires, involving each a loss of at least 20,000—an average of two daily. The total loss was $4,529,000. This is $1,120,000 less than in January. The entire loss for the three winter months was $14,052,000, or $1,032,000 less than last year. The smaller fires would considerably increase the aggregate.

NO MORE LADY CLERKS.—Secretary McCulloch positively refuses to appoint any more lady clerks in the Treasury Department, although the influence brought to bear upon him is very heavy, and many applicants are urged by prominent persons. Every bureau of the Department now has from twenty-five to one hundred lady clerks.

—On the mountainous roads of Virginia the snow, in some places, is twenty feet deep.

—The novelty of exchanging choirs has been inaugurated by some of the New Bedford church societies.

All the old State bank notes in Massachusetts, excepting some $200,000, have been returned to their originating banks and burned.

—An entire ranche of forty acres on Hunt's Hill, Grass Valley, California, was started from its foundations by recent rains, and at last accounts was moving slowly towards Greenhorn Creek.

—Basswood shoes is the latest invention. They are made of a single piece, with a hole in the top near the heel. The place for the foot is made with a chisel. They are said to be as warm, at least, as leather boots.

—Some of the Eastern members of Congress are anxious lest, if Wade become the President, the financial policy of the Government will be changed to suit the views of Butler, Logan, and other expansionists.

ALL SORTS OF THINGS.

THE season is Marching into springtime in good earnest.

—Barnum says the contents of his Museum cost over $100,000. It was insured about one-third.

—In a breach of promise case at Dover, N. H., Nancy Blaisdell sued Charles Caverly for $5000 damages. She got $1000.

—About one hundred Russians of Sitka, A. T., have declared their intention to become American citizens.

—The St. Nicholas Hotel property in New York rents for not less than $150,000 per annum.

—Sir S. Baker, the English *savant* and explorer, thinks the African desert can be fertilized by turning the Nile into it.

—Severe storms on the Pacific coast this winter have seriously interfered with mining operations.

—Uncle Sam collected last year $121,711.49, as the result of the tax of $10 upon each billiard table in use in this country.

—The Greenfield Spiritualists have been consulting the spirit of Daniel Webster on the question of impeachment.

—A Providence man has been arrested for assaulting his blind brother-in-law with a sling-shot.

—An anti-gossiping society is being formed by the ladies in one of the prominent Berkshire towns.

—The first colored jury ever impanneled in Memphis, is sitting in the Criminal Court on a murder case, where the accused are colored.

—The negress who was expelled from the horse cars in Alexandria has brought suit to recover $20,000 damages.

—Water is so scarce in New Bedford that the citizens are melting snow for drinking purposes.

—Gen. Thomas has abandoned all intention of exercising the functions of Secretary of War.

—Joseph Eisele, a murderer, was executed in Parkersburg, Va., last week Friday, in presence of 10,000 spectators.

—A grumbling tax-payer in England has cyphered it out that the cost of trying to rescue the Abyssinian prisoners would have built twenty iron clads.

—Our officers and troops at Alaska are well, and the Indians are peaceable.

—The President has signed all acts of Congress sent to him within a few days.

—Domestic wines and cider will be stricken from the liquor law in Maine.

—Houses in Newport are already in demand for the summer.

—There is now in the vaults of the U. S. Treasury about $106,310,000 in gold coin.

—North Bridgewater is the banner town of Plymouth county in one important particular. It reports the largest number of marriages for 1867.

—It is proposed by the New York Legislature to abolish the pecuniary penalty for intoxication.

—In a suit for slander, in which damages were laid at $20,000, a St. Louis jury awarded one cent.

—The U. S. Senator elect from Maryland was in Washington Saturday, but without his credentials.

—An avalanche at Keystone, Sierra county, Cal., on the 4th of March, buried 17 men in the snow, five of whom were killed. Several buildings were destroyed.

—General Longstreet says that "When a man talks about a new war, be sure he did not fight in the last one."

—It has been said by some one curious in statistics, that the whole amount of grain raised in New England each year would not supply its inhabitants six weeks.

—The season for hatching fish, it appears, has been unfavorable, owing to the long continued cold term and extensive freezing.

—General Grant's reticence is at last accounted for. His father says he never went to school to a woman.

—Henry Clapp says that Horace Greeley is a self-made man, and worships his creator.

—New Bermuda potatoes have made their appearance in the New York market, and are wholesaling at $15 per barrel; while new tomatoes from the same locality sell at $1.50 and $2 per box.

—Mrs. Harriet Beecher Stowe is in Richmond, Va., making a sensation among the colored people.

—Belle Boyd, who was notorious as a rebel spy during the war, is giving dramatic readings in Washington.

—The editor of the Savannah Republican, who is taking a vacation in Florida, says he has been regaled on strawberries and surfeited on venison.

—Texas cattle are selling in the New Orleans market at prices ranging from $7 to $12 a head.

—If you dig five or six feet in the neighborhood of Scottsville, Ill., fire breaks out and continues blazing. The citizens there feel uncomfortable.

—A Bangor merchant shipped 135,131 dozen of eggs during the past year, costing $29,972.78, or a fraction over 22 cents per dozen.

—Thad. Stevens is reported as very low, and what little strength he has left is fast leaving him.

—The latest novelty in Kentucky is the conviction of a white man for murdering a negro, on the testimony of negro witnesses.

—A house in Newburyport that was shingled eighty-five years ago, is as tight to-day as though the shingles had been put on within a month.

—Eight men, besides the landlord, have been arrested in St. Louis for tearing down a dwelling house over the heads of a family of tenants.

AN AVALANCHE.—An avalanche came down the Sierra Nevada Mountains a day or two since, near the town of Cisco, California, killing six Chinamen. Seven locomotives belonging to the Central Pacific Railroad were buried in the snow. The avalanche was between five and six miles in extent.

THE WAR IN JAPAN.—The war in Japan is still raging fiercely. Several engagements, attended with great loss of life, have taken place between the adherents of the Shagoon and those of the Damios. All the foreign ministers have left Osaka in consequence of the insecurity of the country.

ONE OF THE PREDICTIONS.—Democratic journals teem with predictions that if the Senate finds Mr. Johnson guilty of the acts for which he has been impeached by the House, and removes him from his office, the Republican party will be overwhelmingly defeated at the Presidential election.

STARVED TO DEATH.—A lady, one of the visitors of the First M. E. Church in Detroit, states that two cases of death from starvation occurred in that city during the past week. Both of these victims of poverty were widows, and both left families.

BOX OF JEWELS.—There is a box of valuable jewels in the treasury at Washington which has not been opened since it was placed there, and Congress has authorized the treasurer to open it.

TERRIBLE ACCIDENT.—Four men, while tapping an unexploded blast on the Norton canal, near Chicago, were instantly killed on the 4th inst., by the explosion of the blast.

THE CONSTABLES ONCE MORE.—The State Constables of Boston took a new start a few days ago and visited four gaming houses, seizing all their implements.

PALMER AND VICINITY.

BLUEBIRDS.—A few stray bluebirds have been seen the present week in this vicinity.

NICE AND FAT.—Major Morgan has a little four years old steer which weighs 1730 pounds.

BOUGHT OUT.—John M. Converse has bought out the grocery store of A. J. Newton in Nassowanno Block.

FOUND.—Mr. Dorman, who lost his money at Thorndike, last week, has received it from a boy who picked it up in the street.

NOT THAWED.—The thaw has not yet gone deep enough to reach the numerous water pipes that have frozen up in this village.

BAD TRAVELING.—The sleighing is ruined, and wheeled vehicles are once more in requisition. The traveling is not of the best anywhere.

THE Ware River Railroad, if ever built, will run through Thorndike and strike the New London Northern road, at or near Three Rivers.

REAPPOINTED.—The Governor and Council have reappointed G. M. Fisk, of this village, an Inspector of the State Primary School and Almshouse at Monson.

SOMETHING NEW.—The reflecting lamp chimney is a new and good thing, which may be found at Barnes' tin store. It gives more light than the ordinary chimney.

ALL RUNNING.—The mills at Thornkike and Duckville, are running more than full time, and are doing all that is possible in the way of turning out cotton cloth, which is on the rise.

QUITE A FLOOD.—The thaw made quite a flood on Main street, Sunday, which it was almost impossible for pedestrians to ford. Something should be done to prevent this annual deluge in the street.

EVERYBODY SICK.—A man who has a sick family, says if one would know how many sick people there are in town, he must go out in search of watchers. He will soon find that no one is able to go.

WILBRAHAM.—Frank Munsell, of Collins' Depot, fell out of the back door of a saloon in Springfield at a late hour last Saturday night, and badly fractured one of his thighs. He was sent home, and Dr. Holbrook, of this village, is attending him.

ONCE OUR DEVIL.—Lieut. O. H. Howard, of Ware, and now of the Freedmen's Bureau at Albany, Georgia, was once a printer's devil in this office. He issued an address to freedmen some time since, which was so appropriate that Gen. C. C. Sibley, at Atlanta, has appropriated it as his own, and issued it to the freedmen in his vicinity.

DISAPPOINTMENTS.—There are to be several disappointed aspirants for town office, next Monday. Several tickets have been made up, encouraging ambitious hopes that have been suddenly dashed by other tickets which have better chances. On Monday morning a fresher ticket may put all others in the shade, and win success. What the people want is a board of good officers, and no neighborhood feud, or clannish effort, ought to succeed in forcing any other.

TOWN WARRANT.—There is supposed to be a warrant somewhere about town, calling the citizens together for the transaction of town business next Monday, but, as we can hear of nobody who has read it, we cannot vouch for the existence of such an instrument. It is well for citizens to know what they are to act upon, before going to town meeting, that they may act understandingly when there. If this can be done in no other way, each family should be notified as formerly for May training. It would not take any longer than it does to canvass the town in favor of certain men for offices.

TOWN ELECTION.—Caucusing for town officers continues with unabated zeal, with a good deal of close figuring for favorite candidates. Several tickets will be in the field, one of the strongest of which is, for selectmen, W. W. Cross, John Clough, and Geo. Moores; for assessors, D. B. Bishop, Purlin Shearer, and A. R. Murdock, jr. In addition, John Foster, Austin R. Smith, Hiram Converse and Calvin W. Hastings, are named for selectmen; John Clough, P. W. Webster and James Gamwell, for assessors, and Rev. Mr. Bond, C. L. Gardner and George W. Randall, for school committee. For "particular reasons," Mr. Dimock has consented to allow his name to run once more for clerk and treasurer, in opposition to James B. Shaw, who seems to have the inside track, with a fair prospect of winning.

MONSON.—At about 11 o'clock on Thursday forenoon a fire broke out in J. L. Reynold's factory, which has been running all the time the past season. The fire originated in the upper story, and from the inflamable nature of the wood and oil (it being a wooden building) it was totally consumed in about one hour. The Fire Department, such as it is, was promptly on the spot, and with the aid of the only working engine in town, succeeded in saving the boarding house, just north of the mill, which was several times on fire, and in imminent danger. But for the efficiency of this machine and the newly formed fire company (formed on the spot and for the occasion) this building would have been consumed. The house of R. M. Reynolds was slightly damaged—fire having communicated by sparks from the burned building, and only the timely exertions of the firemen saved this also from complete destruction. The blacksmith shop belonging to the Hampden Manufacturing Company was also fired by the burning shingles floating in the air, as was also the shed attached to the barn of Major Hoar; but the flames were discovered in season to be extinguished. The saloon of E. G. Jefts, nearly a quarter of a mile from the mill, was also fired by the burnt embers which a strong southerly wind had carried to the roof; but the flames were extinguished without much damage. The woods caught fire north of the factory, and had it not been for the snow on the ground and the dampness of the leaves and trees, a large conflagration could not have been prevented, as the woods would thus have communicated to buildings in the vicinity. The origin of the fire is not certainly known. Having caught in the upper story, it might have been from defective pipes, or combustible materials of an oily nature. Mr. Reynolds was partially insured in Hartford offices. The fire spread so rapidly, and the machinery being heavy and cumbersome, but little of it was saved; though most of the cloths, finished and unfinished, were saved. This is not only a serious loss to Mr. Reynolds (it being the second time within a few years that he has been burned out), but also to the many who were employed in the mill, and are thus thrown out of employment. The public can but return thanks to Mr. Timothy F. Packard for his interest in repairing and remodeling the old engine, which on this occasion more than twenty times paid for itself, and to him alone is the credit due of having a fire engine, the only one for years, which, though small, has done such efficient service and saved thousands of dollars worth of property; for, had the boarding house been burned, the flying embers would without doubt have communicated to other buildings. The amount of devastation thus avoided by this small machine should awaken an interest in the inhabitants towards something of a more permanent nature in the matter of a fire department. It is probable that the water wheel will be saved with but little damage.——At the administrator's sale of real estate last Thursday, the Skidmore farm in Wales was sold to Willard Leach, of Monson, for $200 above the incumbrances.

TOWN OFFICERS—Mr. Editor:—Your suggestion last week that a clean sweep would be made in town officers this spring, may be worthy of consideration, but would it not be well to think twice before we cast away the old board of selectmen and assessors? Could we do better than to retain one on each board—say Mr. Calkins or Geo. Moores for selectman, and Mr. Clough or Mr. Bishop for assessor? There can be no fault found with these men, and why not reelect them? For school committee permit me to name Rev. Mr. Bond, of this village, an able and efficient man. I shall not disagree in the opinion that we should have a new clerk and treasurer, and in making the change. I trust we shall secure one who will not use the town's money to carry on his business. For tithing men and hog reeves, I have no candidates to present from this vicinity. THORNDIKE.

TOWN OFFICERS—BRIMFIELD.—Clerk, H. F. Brown; treasurer, Alfred L. Converse; selectmen and overseers of the poor, Jas. B. Brown, Dauphin Brown and Cheney Newton; assessors, Warren F. Tarbell, Wm. H. Sherman and Geo. Bacon; school committee for three years, Jas. L. Woods; tax collector, Warren F. Tarbell; constables, Francis E. Cook and Edward Bliss. Appropriations deferred.

LUDLOW.—Clerk and treasurer, B. F. Burr; selectmen and overseers of the poor, E. M. Smith, Samuel White and Benjamin Sikes; assessors, C. S. Bennett, Norman Lyon and D. L. Fuller; school committee for three years, Rev. A. Gardner; tax collector and constable, C. S. Bennett. Appropriations—for schools $1500, highways and bridges $1000, to pay debt $3000, contingencies $2000; total $7500.

ONE HUNDRED AND TEN.—Wm. Cole died in Hartford on the 1st, at the extreme age of one hundred and ten years. He was hale and hearty, and up to a few hours before his death was considered perfectly well, with the exception of a slight cough. On Saturday last he told his wife to make preparations for his death, as he should not live over the approaching Sunday.

WHAT IS PAID FOR AMUSEMENTS.—During the last fiscal year the sum received from the theatres, museums, opera houses, &c., in the United States, on account of the special tax of $100, was $18,146. The amount received from the tax of two per cent. on the gross receipts of each establishment was $194,039.

ANOTHER DEFAULTER.—A clerk in the main office of the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad, in Chicago, was proven to be a defaulter to the amount of $40,000 or more. He has disappeared, and, being respectably connected, efforts are making to hush the matter up.

NO RESPONSE.—The plans of Santa Anna meet with no response from the Mexican people; his former prestige has completely passed away, and his companions find themselves obliged to turn their backs upon him and declare his cause dead.

A GOLDEN PROJECT.—Parties now in San Francisco are endeavoring to get up an expedition to go down to the Peruvian coast and raise an entire frigate load of gold and silver bars, doubloons, etc., sunk there one hundred years ago.

SUICIDE IN LEOMINSTER.—A girl sixteen years of age, the adopted daughter of Mr. Nathan Johnson, purchased five grains of strychnine, recently, and swallowed the fatal dose after going to bed, where she was found dead.

COUNTERFEITERS PARDONED.—The President is busily making voters while he has a chance, and has just pardoned two more counterfeiters. If Mr. Johnson has a weakness (which some people doubt,) it is for counterfeiters.

A FATAL REMEDY.—An Ohio man drank a pint of whiskey and pepper one day last week to break an attack of fever and ague, with which he was troubled. The fever was "broken," but its sudden stoping killed the man.

STILL BURNING.—The gas from the burning well on the Alleghany river is still in flames. The well was struck about two years ago, and the gas has been burning ever since.

THE COST.—The Massachusetts State government costs less than the New York city government. The former is republican, the latter democratic.

WOMAN'S RIGHTS IN A FACTORY.—A strike occurred recently among a number of the women in Clark's thread factory at Newark, N. J. They filed into line, kicked over benches and other obstacles in their way, and, taking the timid ones into custody, left the establishment. A number of orders had been received, and the demands of the females were acceded to and labor resumed.

FEMALE PHYSICIANS.—In Philadelphia six female physicians return incomes ranging from $2,000 to $10,000 a year. In Orange, N. J., there is one whose annual income ranges between $10,000 and $15,000. In New York there is one whose income is rarely less than $20,000 a year.

DULL.—Business at the United States Armory in Springfield still continues dull, and men are being discharged every week. No orders are being received from Washington for new work, and the force now employed is engaged in cleaning and repairing old guns.

WILD WOMAN.—There is a wild woman living in the Grand Cane neighborhood of Texas, and she is as fleet as a deer. Her body is covered with hair and she wears no other clothing. She has been seen occasionally for the past six years.

GOT IT BACK.—A Baltimore merchant, whose son lost $1370 at faro bank in Cincinnati, has recovered a verdict in the Common Pleas Court for the full amount, with interest, against the proprietors of the gambling house.

PROPERLY ARRESTED.—In Buffalo a few days since one or more persons were arrested for using obscene language in public. It would be a good idea to do something of the kind in other places.

FIRE AT WILLIMANTIC.—Four buildings, valued at $30,000, were destroyed by fire at Willimantic on the 5th inst. There was an insurance of $10,000 on the property.

—A delegation of influential Western politicians is in Washington urging bondholders to accept the Sherman Funding bill, as the payment of the bonds in greenbacks will be the certain alternative.

—Twenty-eight poor families were supplied with provisions coming from the table after the grand dinner given to the members of the Legislature after the recent visit to the Agricultural College at Amherst.

—The arrival of a South American mail at Liverpool gives further details of the fighting on the Rio Parana. The Paraguayans had gained several victories over the allied forces. Attempts made to cut Gen. Lopez's communications resulted in a disaster.

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The orator and the preacher have not this invaluable advantage. They must ask a hearing; we obtain it by force. The people can avoid the lecture-room or the church, but they cannot avoid the newspapers. Thus we compel our audience, and may say to it what we please. And though the speaker has none of our advantages, we have all of his. The newspaper can be as eloquent as an orator, and can preach as eloquently as a clergyman. We duplicate all their functions as teachers of mankind, and have others of our own which they are forever denied. Henry Clay or Daniel Webster, in the days when their names were on every tongue, did not exert one-third of the influence over men that the newspapers of New York do to-day. Why? What is the ambition of the orator now? Not to make his speeches, but to get them published. The office of the speaker, as the leader of men, has perished forever. Demosthenes is dumb. In his stead is the "pale and silent man, who, writing alone at midnight, holds the fates of empires upon the point of his pen."

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"And were never intoxicated?"

"Never."

"Well," remarked the Judge, scanning his subject closely from head to foot, "yours is a singular case, yet I think it is easily accounted for. I am reminded by it of a little story. A colored man, with a loaf of bread and flask of whisky, sat down to dine by the bank of a clear stream. In breaking the bread some of the crumbs dropped into the water. These were easily seized and eaten by the fish. That circumstance suggested to the darkey the idea of dipping the bread in the whisky and feeding it to them. He tried it. It worked well. Some of the fish ate it, became drunk, and floated helpless on the water. In this way he easily caught a great number. But in the stream was a large fish very unlike the rest. It partook freely of the bread and whisky, but with no perceptible effect. It was shy of every effort of the darkey to take it. He resolved to have it at all hazards, that he might learn its name and nature. He procured a net, and after much effort caught it, carried it to a colored neighbor, and asked his opinion of the matter. The other surveyed the wonder a moment, and then said: 'Sambo I understands dis case. Dat fish is a mullet-head. It hain't got any brains.' In other words," added the Judge, "alcohol effects only the brain, and, of course, those having none may drink without injury."

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And drove my discontent away,
With laggard winter, grim and gray—
The frowning, froth-crowned king—

Whose cruel rule was all in vain
The bursting blossoms to retain
Of bulbs behind that basement pane
Through which my glances fell;

And where, above the moist, dark mould,
I saw each slender stalk uphold
Its cup of scarlet, edged with gold—
The turbaned tulip's bell.

And at that sight, I seemed to see
What pleasant things were yet to be,
When spring, with footsteps fleet and free,
Across the earth should pass.

I saw no more the ice and snow,
But watched the bare boughs verdant grow,
And heard the loosened brooklets flow
Through fields of springing grass;

Rejoicing in the sunny air,
Blithe insects sported everywhere,
And odors of the violet rare
Were borne upon the breeze.

The busy robin met my eye,
And crowds of blackbirds whirring by,
While flashed, like some stray bit of sky,
The bluebirds through the trees.

But ah! before the piercing tune
Of gales that swept that winter's noon,
The vision melted all too soon
To cold and lifeless gray.

Still, thanks to the, my unknown friend,
Whose flowers could such enchantment lend
To this depressing month, whose end
Seems farther off each day.

C. Pierrepont, in Round Table.

February 22d, 1868.

ORIGINAL STORY.

EDNA WEBBER'S VICTORY.

In a luxurious chamber, upon her bridal morning, lay a young and lovely girl, while standing over her was a dark-eyed woman, breathing a last prayer in the home that was to be hers no longer, for the peace and prosperity of her child. Indeed, sleep must have been anything but peaceful, for the golden hair floated over the white counterpane and her slender hands were carelessly clasped together above her head. The long lashes almost cast a shadow over the cheeks, seeming wet with tears, while her lips were slightly parted, as though speaking the thoughts that were in her pleasant dreamings.

Silently knelt the mother by her side, while her heart was heavy with the thought of losing her only child. She feared that she might have guarded her too tenderly from the sorrows of life, and perhaps suffered her to subdue the will of others much more than her own. Past memories of early youth rose up vividly before her mind, and she wondered if another's love would ever be as faithful, true and deep as hers had been. A host of bitter thoughts assailed her lest she had not fitted her for the untried future. Would she ever regret having guarded her so gently? These thoughts were in the mother's heart, as sorrowfully she kissed the sweet sleeper; and softly breathing another blessing for the daughter whose coming days she would have woven full of silver threads, she slowly glided out of the room.

It was Edna Raymond's bridal morning, and never had another dawned with more brilliancy, or promised richer anticipations for future happiness. Petted and indulged in every wish through childhood and youth, guarded so carefully from all the rough winds of adversity, no wonder the mother feared lest the proud will would find it difficult to yield to another. Only gleamings of sunshine had as yet fallen upon her pathway, and she had blossomed up from amidst the quiet and seclusion of her home into a rarely beautiful woman, and had given to Paul Webber all the tenderness, love and faith of her woman's nature. Would no pride or coldness ever creep in between these two and make it harder than if tenderness had not always shielded her from trials? For Edna Raymond there were only joyous thoughts on this lovely day, with its rifts of golden sunshine glancing in at the window and throwing its slanting rays across the pretty carpet.—The south wind's languorous breath stole in to greet her with a morning kiss, and only sweetest memories were busy on this day that was to make her a happy wife. No misgivings were allowed to creep into her heart. The future seemed only a page written over with the brightest of pictures, full of beauty, gladness and love.

The moments glided quickly away, and the hour came for Edna Raymond's marriage. Dressed in white satin, with the heavy folds of a point lace veil draping her slender figure, well might Paul Webber be proud of his bride, and, as he bent down and kissed the fair face, he whispered:—"Lovelier than ever, my darling; I am very happy to win my rare pearl." He laid his hand softly upon the golden hair with that perfect grace with which Paul Webber did everything, and led her into the pleasant parlor where a group of friends were assembled, and amid the flush and beauty of the early blossoms of May, Edna Raymond became Paul Webber's wife.

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"I tell you I was never tyranized over at home, and I will not be now."

"I lay no commands upon my wife—she can do as she likes," answered Paul Webber gently; "but, Edna, I am sure that if you knew James Atheling as well as I have means of knowing him you would never accept his escort again."

"And why, forsooth? There is not a lady in town but is happy to receive a bow from him.

"That may be, but I wish you would promise me never to accompany him anywhere again; he is not the gentleman you think him to be."

"How absurd you are," said Edna Webber, tapping her little foot defiantly upon the floor; "you know I have promised to attend the opera with him to-night. Would you have me, just for a whim, break the engagement at this late hour?"

"Yes; refuse entirely."

"And refuse entirely I shall not," she replied.

"Very well, then, I shall lay no farther objections upon your going," and he turned and left the room without saying another word.

A crowd of bitter thoughts assailed Edna Webber as she caught the last sounds of his footsteps echoing through the hall, and most bitter of all was this—"Married only two years!" If heartaches commenced to be hers now what had the future in store? Uneasiness was beginning to urge its doubts. Had she done right to refuse such a simple request? No coldness had ever crept between them before, and he had just finished reading to her those verses from Longfellow's "Gleams of Sunhine," and she had admired them so much. If he had not asked her so abruptly—in such a way. She sat there thinking until a host of rebellious, angry thoughts had surged into her heart. To think that he should care about such a trifle. "Of course I'll have my way—it would be so foolish to refuse at this late hour."

The sunshine of a lovely summer's afternoon laughed along the carpet, throwing its mellow rays across the pictures upon the walls of a handsome room in the residence of Paul Webber. It sat pleasantly enough behind its avenue of splendid trees, while in front heliotropes and roses made bloom and beauty in rich profusion. The air was fresh and moist with the cool spray of fountains. The song of birds was full of melody, and the dozing winds breathed delicious breaths of fragrance through the low windows. The face of June smiling down upon the summer had caught its light and gladness, and with the flowers and shade, the views and surroundings, it was as lovely a place as one would care to possess.

Only within the room harmony was wanting. Mechanically Edna Webber had taken up the book that her husband had carelessly dropped upon the table, and a host of early memories came thronging into her mind. Paul had always been so kind and good—so tender and thoughtful, and these were the first unpleasant words that had passed. Somehow she felt as if she was wrong, and the blame rested upon herself. It was such a simple request and the first one he had proffered. Surely she could not deny his wishes in such a simple matter as declining an invitation, even if it had been accepted. The angry thoughts against her husband that had been accumulating, she stifled back, and resolved to refuse when James Atheling called for her in the evening; and when Paul came home to ask his forgiveness, for he could not refuse it if she repented, and she would subdue her pride.

This doubt and weariness oppressed her. The days had all been so golden before that shadows in her life seemed strangely out of place, and Edna could endure it no longer. She rose and bathed her face, rearranged the waves of beautiful hair, and arrayed herself in the dress that Paul liked best, then sat down, with a book, to await his coming. Eight chimes had just rung out in silvery tones from the dainty clock upon the mantle, when the servant announced Mr. Atheling.

"Good evening, Mrs. Webber, all ready for the opera?" he said, the rich tones of his voice echoing musically through the room.

She rose gracefully to greet him, and though a slight flush came into the fair face, her reply was quick and decided:

"I thank you very much for your kindness and invitation, but for good reasons I must decline going this evening. You will excuse me, I trust, for breaking my engagement, but I think it best to do so."

"Not going!" he exclaimed, and the disappointment was very evident in his voice, "you cannot really mean it!"

"Yes, if you will excuse me."

Of course he could do nothing else, and he was coldly polite as he bade her good night, and she wished him a pleasant evening's entertainment.

Some minutes later Paul Webber returned. He had not hurried from his office because he expected to find his wife gone, and unpleasant feelings had been rankling in his heart all the afternoon. Therefore he was much surprised to find such a pleasant home picture upon his return.

"You are home early," he said, but he did not come forward as usual to bestow his accustomed caress.

"Yes; I declined going, and Mr. Atheling remained but a few moments."

"Was it for my sake, Edna, that you refused?" and Paul Webber came forward and softly laid his hand upon her head.

"Yes," she answered, quietly.

He drew her fondly to his breast, saying: "I was harsh, my precious one. I had forgotten from what a birdie's nest I took my darling. Forgive me," and the tenderly given caress soothed whatever of coldness had lingered in Edna's heart, and then she learned how much her husband loved her, and how dear she was to him. The proud will had yielded, and by "Edna Webber's Victory," the years that came after were braided up with golden threads, and full of peace and blessing.

LILIAN.

Palmer, Mass., March, 1868.

WORK OR STARVE.

This is the law and the penalty, from which there is no escape. Thousands are trying to evade it; some by making their fellow men work for them, others by depending on money inherited or accumulated in former years, but without avail. If idle they starve in the midst of plenty. They may eat to the full, but eating without exercising is against the law of nature, and very soon the stomach refuses to digest the food, the body is not nourished, and the man literally starves, though he may feel no hunger. The hands, the brain, and the heart, must work to live. If you dodge the labor of learning lessons, you, at the same time, miss the strength of intellect which mental work brings, and the mind will pine for want of nourishment. Thousands have starved their wits in this way, until they wonder how it is that others carry away all the prizes in life. Many starve their hearts by never exercising them with noble emotions. Selfishness eats into the nature like a canker, leaves the man hungry for affection; but love is the price for love, and he that will not work in this field must accept the penalty. It is an error to think that work was a penalty imposed on man for having violated God's command. Man's nature is such that activity is the law of his being. Every muscle and nerve calls for employment that it may remain in health, and there can scarcely be a more terrible punishment than solitary confinement, where the eye, the ear, and the hands must remain idle. A slow, painful death will surely result. So then, boys and girls, strive to love work and not shun it. Though you may be as rich as Astor or Stewart in money, yet your own nature will suffer the pangs of poverty without active exercise.

ABOUT THE HOUSE.

A bit of shrubbery in the yard, a vine climbing by a trellis, a strip of refreshing green spread from the door, are sure to make a place of greater marketable value; which with many is a consideration to be thought of before any other. Such need no further appeal to their sense of neatness, then. But those who really love the suggestions of beauty for their own sake, will not omit the turf-patch, the shrubbery, and the hedge and vine, because they make almost any home more attractive and lovely, and cause the sentiments to sprout like the very leaves and buds themselves. How few stop to consider what a powerful and charming association lies lurking in every simple but familiar object, like a bush, a tree, a bit of grass, or a border of flowers. They are objects that hold us almost as steadily and strongly to home as wife and children; they are closely associated with these, in fact, and can with difficulty be separated. Therefore we say to all, "Brush up about the door, and plant near by an object of simple beauty. It will bear fruit in the heart a hundredfold.

LOST TIME.—Let any man pass an evening in vacant idleness, or even in reading some silly tale, and compare the state of his mind when he goes to sleep or gets up next morning with its state some other day, when he has spent a few hours in going through the proofs, by facts and reasoning, of some of the great doctrines in natural science, learning truths wholly new to him, and satisfying himself by careful examination, of the grounds on which known truths rest, so as to be not only acquainted with the doctrines themselves, but able to show why he believes them, and to prove that they are true; and he will find as great a difference as can exist in the same being—the difference between looking back upon time unprofitably wasted, and time spent in self-improvement; he will feel himself, in one case, listless and dissatisfied—in the other comfortable and happy.

—If the man who wrote—It might have been a woman—"I love to see the snowflakes dancing in the air" still lives, what a heap of enjoyment he or she must have suffered this winter!

—Drive your cattle on the ice if you want cowslips in winter.

FEMALE FRIENDSHIP.

It is a wondrous advantage to a man, in every pursuit or avocation, to secure an adviser in a sensible woman. In woman there is at once a subtile delicacy of tact, and a plain soundness of judgment, which are rarely combined to an equal degree in man. A woman, if she be really your friend, will have a sensitive regard for your character, honor, and repute. She will seldom counsel you to do a shabby thing—for a woman friend always desires to be proud of you. At the same time her constitutional timidity makes her more cautious than your male friend. She therefore seldom counsels you to do any imprudent thing.

By female friendship, I mean pure friendships—those in which there is no admixture of a passion of love, except in the married state. A man's best female friend is a wife of good sense and good heart, whom he loves and who loves him. If he have that he need not seek elsewhere. But supposing the man to be without such a helpmate, female friendship he must still have, or his intellect will be without a garden, and there will be many an unheeded gap even in its strongest sense. Better and safer, of course, such friendships where the disparity of years or circumstances puts the idea of love out of the question. Middle life has rarely this advantage; youth and old age have.

We have many female friendships with those much older and those much younger than ourselves. Moilier's old house-keeper was a great help to his genius; and Montaigne's philosophy takes both a gentler and loftier character of wisdom from the date in which he finds in Marie de Gourday an adopted daughter, "certainly beloved by me," says the Horace of essayist, "with more than paternal love, and involved in my solitude of retirement, as one of the best parts of my being." Female friendship indeed, is to a man the bulwark, the sweetener, ornament of his existence. To his mental culture it is invaluable; without it all his knowledge of books will never give him knowledge of the world.

THE TWO MERCHANTS.

When trade grew slack and notes fell due, the merchant's face grew long and blue; his dreams were troubled through the night with sheriff's bailiffs all in sight. At last his wife unto him said, "Rise up at once, get out of bed, and get your paper, ink and pen, and say these words unto all men:—

'My goods I wish to sell to you, and to your wives and daughters, too; my prices they shall be so low, that each will buy before they go.'"

He did as his good wife advised, and in the paper advertised. Crowds came and bought of all he had; his notes were paid, his dreams made glad, and he will tell you to this day, how well did printer's ink repay.

He told us this with a knowing wink, how he was saved by printer's ink.

The other in a place as tight, contented was the press to slight, and did not let the people know of what he had or where to go. His drafts fell due and were not paid; a levy on his goods was made; the store was closed until the sale, and for some time he was in jail. A bankrupt now without a cent, at leisure he does deep repent, that he was foolish and unwise, and did not freely advertise.

ANCIENT CHINA.

A resurrection of some Oriental literature is very humiliating to our Western and nineteenth century pride, in showing how far the Chinese had gone in point of civilization when Europe was barbarian and America was unknown. They were burning coal before the Christian era; they were printing A. D. 551, with black, and lithographing three centuries later. Yet another century and they were using movable types of terra cotta, porcelain, water-tight compartments in ships, portraits for catching criminals—all these were known to them in those days. And it even appears that 919 years before Christ these Celestials used greenbacks. The Chinese had also the tradition of Madonna and her child.—This symbol was the Tien-How, the Queen of Heaven, represented as nursing her infant son, who holds a lotus bud in his hand as a symbol of the new birth. There is a model of this groupe, in porcelain, in the Ethnological Museum of Copenhgen.—*The Optomist.*

—New Orleans, it is claimed, possesses more miles of street railroad than any other city of its size in the world. Each car is drawn by a mule, and in default of a conductor each passenger drops his own fare into a glass box near the driver.

—Telegraph operators are generally married men. They marry in order to disburden their minds of the dreadful gossip and news, the weight of which would else drive them to suicide.

—An exchange says—There is something sweet about little girls. The Louisville Journal adds. "And it grows on 'em as they grow bigger."

—A codfish breakfast and an India-rubber coat will keep a man dry all day.

After All.

After all!
In the sleep that comes to all,
Does it matter what befall
When we are beyond recall
Sleeping soundly and profoundly?
All the woful weight of care
That our human spirits bear
In a greater or less share,
After all, after all.

After all!
All the glory, all the gain,
So much chaff, so little grain,
All life's pleasures, all its pain,
Marching sweetness by its fleetness,
Only on the shining slope
Of God's upland bloom we hope
That we cherish as we grope,
After all, after all!

After all!
There'll be ships in sight of shore,
There'll be sunshine on the floor,
There'll be foot-steps at the door,
When our sadness and our gladness
Are as were the babies twain,
Covered by the birds in vain,
Where the leaves would not remain,
After all, after all!

WOULDN'T MARRY A MECHANIC.

A young man began visiting a young woman, and she appeared much pleased. One evening he called when it was quite late, which led the young girl to inquire where he had been.

"I had to work to-night."

"What! do you have to work for a living?" she inquired, in astonishment.

"Certainly," replied the young man, "I am a mechanic.

"I dislike the name of a mechanic" and she turned up her pretty nose.

That was the last time the young man visited the young woman. He is now a wealthy man, and has one of the best women in the country for a wife. The lady who disliked the name of mechanic now is the wife of a miserable fool, a vagrant about grogshops, and the soft, verdant and miserable girl is obliged to take in washing in order to support herself and children.

You dislike the name of mechanic, eh? You, whose brothers are but well dressed loafers.

We pity any girl who has so little brains, who is so verdant, so soft, as to think less of a young man because he is a mechanic—one of God's noblemen—the most dignified and honorable personage of Heaven's creatures. Beware, young lady, how you treat young men who work for a living, for you may one day be a menial to one of them yourself.

Far better discharge the well fed pauper, with all his rings and jewelry, brazenness and pomposity, and take to your affections the callous-handed, intelligent and industrious mechanic.

Thousands have bitterly regretted their folly who have turned their backs to industry. A few years have taught them a severe lesson.

WHAT RUM WILL DO.

Some years ago in one of the counties of New York, a worthy man was decoyed into a *license* tavern, and tempted to drink, until he was drunk. In the delirium of drunkenness he went home and murdered his wife in the most barbarous manner. He was carried to the jail while drunk, and kept through the night. Awaking in the morning and looking around upon the walls, and seeing the bars upon the windows, he exclaimed,

"Is this a jail?"

"Yes, you are in jail," answered some one.

"What am I here for?" was the earnest inquiry.

With still greater astonishment and earnestness he inquired,

"Does my wife know it?"

"Your wife know it?" said some one; "Why it is your wife you have killed."

On this announcement he dropped suddenly as if he had been struck dead. Let it be remembered that the constable who carried him to jail, sold him the liquor which caused his drunkenness; the justice who issued the warrant, was one of those who signed his license, and the sheriff who hung him, also sold liquor and kept a ten-pin alley.

FAILING EYES.—Persons suffering from dyspepsia or any other malady, must take care of their eyes. Any disease impairs the strength, and the nervous system is depressed; and when laboring under this form of depression, the eye is particularly liable to become weak. The reason of this is, that of the ten nerves which go off from the brain, six are distributed wholly, and the other four partially to the eye. Through the great sympathetic nerve, the disturbed stomach, or liver or intestines, communicate with telegraphic speed with the brain, and so with the eye. The first advice to be given with reference to the comfortable use of the eyes, undoubtedly is, to keep intestines and liver and stomach in a healthy condition, or in other words do everything to confirm the general health. If this be impaired, do not read, and especially do not write long without giving the eye a rest. The great remedy for an eye whose disease depends upon the nerve and not the muscle, is rest, rest, rest!

JOHN CHINAMAN AND RUM.—"Do you like rum, John?" "No sir," said John.—"Why not?" "Rum not proper sir: make Chinaman *number one fool.*"

—Time, patience, and industry, are the three grand masters of the world.

A STRATEGICAL WIDOW.

A widow woman residing in the eastern section of Wheeling, Va., had occasion to resort to a piece of strategy to meet the demands of her landlord and save her home. Her means were very limited, and to the frequent duns of her landlord she was compelled to give him many excuses, until he became exasperated and demanded when she could pay him. She then told him that she had no money now, but was expecting some from a son who was absent, and that probably in a few days she would be able to discharge the debt. The landlord is a prompt old fellow, especially when there is money in the question, so it was but a few days before he showed his "grim visage" at the widow's door again, buoyant with the hope of receiving the amount due him. But unfortunately the woman was not prepared to meet her obligations, and did not know what to do under the circumstances. Feeling ashamed to postpone the payment any longer, by promises, she resorted to a piece of strategy to accomplish the same end. The landlord knocked at the door and made his business known. The widow informed him that she had had the money for some time, but that herself and her children were afflicted with the small pox, and that she was afraid to go out for fear that the disease would grow worse from exposure. The landlord didn't wait to hear any more, or even to get his money, but left instanter, and has not been seen since in that locality.

LEAP YEAR.—The Jackson (Ohio) Standard, in an article on leap year, and the liberty which it is supposed to give women to make offers of love, says:—"If a woman loves a man, let her tell him so, in a prudent, delicate manner, and if he is a man of sense (and no other kind of a man deserves the love of a woman) he will reply in a becoming manner. If the effort is too great, write out your words and consider their probable effect. Try it, girls, especially during leap year. Many a worthy man is too diffident to propose marriage, who, if some sensible woman (and only such I address) should make a proposal, would accept. Let your communications be strictly confidential, and no honorable man will betray that confidence. But let not the men leave all to women during leap year. Go on with your part of the contract, as usual. I believe that marriage, as a general rule, is best for both men and women. Of course there are exceptions."

INDUSTRY.—Man must have occupation, or be miserable. Toil is the price of sleep and appetite, of health and enjoyment. The very necessity which overcomes our natural sloth is a blessing. The whole world does not contain a briar or a thorn which divine mercy could have spared. We are happier with the sterility which we can overcome, than we would have been with spontaneous plenty and unbounded profusion. The body and the mind are improved by the toil that fatigues them. The toil is a thousand times rewarded by the pleasure which it bestows. Its enjoyments are peculiar. No wealth can purchase them, no indolence can taste them. They flow only from the exertions which they repay.

SHORT AND LONG.—The Manchester (N. H.) Union says:

"A tall Eastern girl, named Short, long loved a big Mr. Little; while Little, thinking little of Short, loved a little lass named Long. To make a long story short, Little proposed to Long, and Short longed to be even with Little's shortcomings. So Short, meeting Long, threatened to marry Little before long, which caused Little in a short time to marry Long. (Query.)—Did tall Short love big Little less because Little loved Long.

—A lady meeting a girl who had lately left her service, inquired, "Well, Mary, where do you live now?" "Please ma'am, I dont live nowhere now, I have got married."

—Somebody who writes more truthfully than poeticaly, says:—"An angel without money is not thought so much of now-a-days as a devil with a pile of greenbacks."

—We spend half our lives in making mistakes, and waste the poor remainder in reflecting how easily we might have avoided them.

—A club of hen-pecked husbands meet once a week out West, and their adjournment is called—the rising of the *tied.*

—The girl who sang "O Charlie is my darling?" saw him one night with another feminine, and don't sing it any more.

— Charlie, the other day, on seeing a number of funerals, expressed a wish that he might die before heaven was full.

—A forlorn editor says it is hard to live without a wife—no gentle heart to get up mornings to build the fire.

—The hog may not be thoroughly posted in arithmetic, but when you come to square root, he is there—the hog is.

—The morality of some people is in remnants—never enough to make a coat.

The Journal.

SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 1868.

MEXICO cannot have peace, but, true to its natural instincts, is again at war. Two generals, Alvarez and Jiminez, in the State of Guerreo, are fighting for power. The former has captured several large towns, and is carrying terror before him. This outbreak does not affect the general government, but President Juarez ought to squelch these rival aspirants for power immediately.

Two petitions have been presented to the United States Senate this winter for the abolition of the office of President. We suppose this is thought to be the best way to get rid of President Johnson; but the petitioners must be very impatient if they cannot wait till he is impeached or till his term expires in a twelvemonth. We suffered from a rebellion three years, and cannot we stand an obstinate President a year longer?

THE lower branch of the Legislature has passed the bill repealing the Constabulary law over the Governor's veto; but it will do no good, as the Senate cannot do it. A new license bill has been reported in the House, which puts the licensing power into the hands of the county commissioners, except in the counties of Suffolk and Nantucket, in which commissioners are to be elected. Towns have the right to vote every year as to whether they will permit liquor to be sold. The bill is much better than the first one, and with a little tinkering will probably pass.

ANDREW JOHNSON wanted forty days and forty nights in which to prepare his defence against impeachment. As this was the number of days and nights in which the flood descended upon Noah, the request was rather significant. He has been allotted ten days for preparation and is now busily at work with his counsel. In case he should be impeached, he threatens to take the stump and "swing around the circle" again, after the fashion of his Western political tour in 1866. The Republicans can afford to pay him something to do this, especially if Postmaster Nasby will write an account of his travels.

THE colored people at Raleigh recently nominated John H. Harris (also a colored man) for Congress, and they could no doubt elect him; but in a wise and patriotic speech he declined the nomination. He said:—"If you send me to Congress we shall see all the other Southern States following the example, and how will it look to have eight or ten colored men sitting in the House of Representatives? What fuel that would be to feed the flame of prejudice! I want this five thousand dollars a year as badly as anybody, but I am not willing to strike a blow against the Republican party—I am not willing to sell out my race—for such a sale would my acceptance virtually be."

We cannot help asking here, how many white men would have acted and spoken as wisely as Harris, the colored man?

OUR State taxes this year are to be lessened about two million of dollars. That is quite a falling off, which ought to be accounted for. The expenses of the State are not to be much if any less than last year, while those of the Legislature will probably be greater. Tax-payers should understand the secret, which will be found in the fact that the State will borrow instead of taxing to pay. This is bad business. No wise business man would think of doing this if he were solvent. Why, then, should the State? We had better pay for what we get as we go along, for this is the only safe way. It is all well enough to talk about our increasing wealth, but such talk does not prevent taxation nor improve our credit. There may be policy in postponing heavy taxation this year; we may be more prosperous next; but if we should not, then must there come a mountain of taxation, which could be more easily borne in two years than one. Let the Legislature think of this before sugar-coating a policy tax bill for the present year.

IT is doubtful whether the U. S. Senate will be as liberal as the House, towards the manufacturers. That body does not seem willing to abolish the whole tax upon manufactured goods, evidently thinking that it will abridge the revenue too much. A large reduction will be made in taxation, to say the least, and if expenses can be reduced in proportion, no harm will arise. The appropriation bills already passed, and those which are pending for early action, are reported to place the expenditure of the various departments of the government at $131,190,315; and this estimate includes $20,000,000 for the post-office department, which in the last fiscal year wanted only $4,575,000 of paying its own expenses. Adding to this a hundred and thirty millions for the interest on the national debt, we have an outgo of about $246,000,000. The receipts from a system of internal revenue excluding manufactures, and based entirely on liquors, tobacco, income, stamps, special taxes and sales, legacies, gross receipts, and banks, are estimated by such excellent authority as Mr. David A. Wells, at $181,000,000—to which $150,000,000 should be added for the receipts from customs. If then we allow $5,000,000 for unfavorable contingencies, we have a balance left on hand for liquidating the principal of the debt of over $87,000,000.

CARRIED AWAY.—About 30 feet of Gaylord's millidam at Chicopee was carried away by the pressure of the floating ice, Monday afternoon.

Legislative Extravagance.

Our legislature commenced with a show of economy, but is likely to be as extravagant as any of its predecessors. What is still worse, it is given to bargaining that borders on corruption, and that everlasting Hoosac Tunnel comes in to cajole, badger and contaminate all legislation. Any measure, however unjust, can be carried by its advocates striking hands with the friends of the tunnel. The tunnel operators want $600,000 to carry on the work this year, and they expect to get it. The new Agricultural College at Amherst asks for $50,000, and its friends will link with those of the tunnel to secure it. The people of Provincetown have got a bill through the House appropriating $50,000 to build a dyke to protect the harbor, and this was secured by a promise that the members from the Cape should help the tunnel appropriation. There is about as much need of a dyke at Provincetown as there is of a breakwater in Pelham. The U. S. Coast survey are confident that there is less danger now of the sea breaking across the neck above Provincetown, where it is proposed to build the dyke, than there was a hundred years ago, and consider it money wasted to build such a structure. But the Provincetown people want a railroad, and the dyke across the marshy neck is just what is needed for a road bed. The bill making the appropriation would never have passed without the aid of tunnel influence, but it has been log-rolled through, and in the same way will probably be forced through the Senate.

This sort of legislation is outrageous, but there seems to be no hope for improvement until the Hoosac Tunnel is finished or abandoned. The State had better make an appropriation large enough to carry on the work for several years, and thus shut the mouths of the hungry crowd which annually gathers at the State House, clamoring for further appropriations, and allow other legislation to go on uncorrupted. We can have no economy in State affairs, no purity in our politics, till this is done, and tax payers should seriously consider the matter when electing representatives to the General Court.

A Gloomy Picture.

We rather admire the style in which they show up things down South. It partakes of the sublime and terrible, and is first rate for sensation. We at the North have not yet acquired a taste for this style of rhetoric, but we may become educated to it, and stir the blood of our readers with it after awhile. The New York Tribune having stated that impeachment was peace, the Mobile Tribune took up the declaration and went on in the following refreshing manner:—

"There is a sulphurous volcanic cloud rising over the Northern land; and by the lurid light that gleams along its borders we can see houses in flames, and fields desolated, and outraged women flying with dishevelled hair to hide their shame, and mastless hulks with blood-stained decks drifting rudderless on seas whitened no more forever with the canvas wings of commerce, and cities for the dead, whose mouldering ruins would topple over and fall with the jar upon the air of a single footstep upon their sidewalks, but the footstep is not there. 'Impeachment is peace!' It is the sort of peace that Satan brought into the Garden of Eden when he made Adam Impeach Eve before the Most High. Impeachment is *not* peace. It is simply turning on the gas that is manufactured in hell; it is putting the door ajar for the entrance of the troop of horrors we have pictured above. Impeachment of the President by Rumpian Barebones Robespierres for adherence to the Constitution he had sworn to support, is a certain sign that Government is gone and anarchy has begun, as the sinking of the sun behind the Western hills is a sign that the day has gone and night is coming. 'Impeachment is peace.' Then peace is hell on earth!"

THAD. STEVENS has discovered and announced to the world, that universal suffrage was one of the inalienable rights intended to be embraced in that instrument by our fathers at the time of the declaration, and that they were prevented from inserting it in the Constitution by Slavery alone. They had no intention to abandon it as one of the finally enumerated rights, but simply to postpone it. The Committee on Reconstruction have inserted it in the bill admitting Alabama into the Union, and have resolved that no State shall be admitted into the Union unless under that condition. This is stating the case strongly, and we believe the doctrine to be right, though we doubt whether Thad. Stevens has the right to say so. Congress will attend to that matter.

RAILROAD ACCIDENT.—The passenger train from Nashville, when near Brook's station, 18 miles below Louisville, Ky., on Monday, came in contact with a tree which had fallen across the track. The engine, tender, express and baggage cars, were completely broken up. The passenger cars were thrown from the track. Thomas Hilburne the engineer, and Clarence McMurray, fireman, were killed. William Taylor, the conductor, was slightly injured.

STEAMBOAT DISASTER.—The steamer Magnolia, which left Cincinnati, O., Wednesday noon, for Maysville, Ky., with about 100 passengers and a large amount of freight, exploded her boiler, 12 miles above the former city at half past one. The greater portion of the cabin was carried away and the boat afterwards took fire. About 40 persons were killed, several of them being burned to death.

GOT THE START OF THEM.—The Woonsocket Patriot says the difficulty between Edward Harris and his Jack spinners has had a singular termination. Mr. Harris is replacing his old Jacks with self operators, whereby the labor of one man will do that of several. The strikers are thus obliged to seek employment elsewhere.

ALL SORTS OF THINGS.

THIS is the maple sugar season.

—Picault, a Montreal chemist, who administered poison by mistake, causing two deaths, has been committed for trial.

—The Indians in the neighborhood of Fort Berthold are in a starving condition, being obliged to eat their horses to sustain life.

—A bill to remove the capital of Wisconsin from Madison to Milwaukee has passed the Assembly by 15 to 28.

—The Parisian ladies are taking to smoking after dinner. It is full time for the gentlemen to leave it off.

—The repeal of the tax on manufactures will relieve 800 articles from taxation.

—The benefit of Barnum's Museum employees, impoverished by the fire, netted about $1000.

—The new Worcester County Court House is to be located in Fitchburg.

—The highest wholesale quotation for coal in Philadelphia is $5 a ton, and the market is reported dull.

—A $15,000 statue of President Lincoln is to be placed in Prospect Park, Brooklyn.

—A recent writer upon the subject of angling has devoted a great deal of space in his work to prove that fishes feel no pain from fish hooks.

—George Peabody's recent gift of half a million pounds to the city of London provided comfortable homes for fifteen hundred poor people.

—The cattle disease is prevailing extensively in various parts of the country. What some call the black tongue has been very fatal among horses.

—There are in San Francisco from 500 to 600 Chinese. The whole number in California ranges from 10,000 to 60,0000.

—In North Carolina they are getting radishes from the garden.

—Twenty retail liquor dealers were "pulled" in Worcester on Thursday, last week, for carrying on their business without an internal revenue license.

—The Wisconsin Journal says of the Legislature of that State, in token of commendation: "Not a postage stamp was voted during the session, and the members paid their own postage."

—American ladies, if the correspondents of the London journals are to be trusted, seem to have attained a very conspicuous position in Paris society, and the papers are never weary of praising their beauty, and recording their movements.

—Southbridge, with a population of 1500, has 17 schools, attended by nearly 900 children.

—A. T. Stewart sells at retail $200,000 worth of gloves annually. The department is presided over by a "glove artist" named Wheeler, who invents his own designs, and has them made in Paris to his own order.

—Mr. Barnum does not give any promise of ever building another museum. He says that he has made his last appearance on the stage, and that he is going to take up with Mr. Greeley's advice, and go fishing for a couple of years.

Letter from West Brookfield.

MR. EDITOR:—I presume you have concluded ere this that your West Brookfield "special" has either fled the country or has forgotten all about his promise to write you, but neither of these reasons do I offer as an excuse for my long silence. The fact is, that until within the last ten or twelve days my ink-bottle has been frozen so hard that really it has been quite impossible to communicate through the medium of a pen; and I think, perhaps, the despotic rule of Jack Frost has something to do with the quiet that has reigned in this town of steady habits.

Our old boot and shoe firms are at present driving business, and one new boot shop has been started here by Mr. Shumway, formerly of Spencer. His machinery is carried by a caloric engine.

The corset factory, owned by Jackson & Smith, is also an establishment worthy of notice. Here corsets, of every style and variety, are manufactured at wholesale. About forty girls are employed to do the work.

There has been something of an interest here on religious subjects; but nothing compared with the revival of one year ago; although most earnest efforts have been made to arouse the public.

Dr. Julius Blodgett has retired from practice, and his brother, Dr. A. G. Blodgett, succeeds him. The latter comes to us with fresh laurels from his studies in a New York medical college.

Quite an amount of real estate has changed hands to-day—the printing-office building, the house known as the Merriam House, the market building, and three dwelling houses adjoining, all belonging to the estate of the late S. D. Cook. The property was sold at auction, and brought nine thousand dollars. M.

THE ERIE RAILWAY QUARREL IN NEW YORK.—The great railway quarrel between Drew and Vanderbilt is assuming a somewhat romantic turn. To escape from injunctions and other annoying legal processes, Mr. Drew, and the president, and other officers of the Erie company have removed the office of the company over to Jersey City. This change of base, Mr. Drew says, was an absolute necessity. The two injunctions which had been procured against the directors—one restraining them from acting, and the other compelling them to act—left them no alternative. In either case they would have been liable for contempt, and to have been placed under arrest. Hence, the only solution of the difficulty was to pull up stakes and move over to New Jersey.

A HUMAN MONSTROSITY.—At Portland, Me., a remarkable monstrosity was recently ushered into this breathing world, fearfully and wonderfully made up. It—for we can call it nothing but an "it"—had the head and shoulders of a well developed infant, but below there the body tapered to very unusual length in the form, and almost exactly like the latter half of an eel. It exhibited no signs of life, but evidently had lived to within a very brief period of birth. This remarkable freak of nature should have been preserved, but the parents would not listen to the proposition, but insisted upon putting it out of sight forever. It was the result of fright from an eel thoughtlessly placed in the mother's lap while at a seashore picnic last summer.

A QUESTION OF BLOOD.—How much blood makes a colored man? is becoming a question of considerable interest in Iowa. At an election in Meigs township, Joseph Yates' vote was refused, though his mother was a white woman and his father had a preponderance of white blood in him. Yates sued the trustees or inspectors of the town and recovered $100.

—The Finance Committee of the United States Senate have agreed to report a bill repealing the act recently passed giving bounties to the widows of deceased soldiers, on the ground that it will involve an expenditure which the Government, under the present reduction of taxation, cannot meet without depreciating its credit.

—It will surprise some people to learn that the date "Saturday, Feb 29," has been possible only on four days since the adoption of the Gregorian style:—in 1772, 1812, 1840, and 1868, and that it will be correct only once between this time and 1956.

PALMER AND VICINITY.

SEE advertisement of McKnight, Norton & Hawley, of Springfield, which can be found in another column.

SOLD AGAIN.—John M. Converse has sold out the grocery store he lately bought of A. J. Newton, to Wm. C. Green.

CLOSED.—Messrs. French & Nichols have closed their flour and grain store south of the railroad bridge, and will confine their business to their store in Lawrence Block.

REV. MR. BAILEY, of the Methodist Church at Palmer Four Corners, closes his labors with that church next Sabbath, and will preach his farewell discourse to his people at that time.

WE would call attention to the advertisement of A. M. Knight & Son, of Springfield, plumbers. They are first-class workmen, and keep a large assortment of goods at reasonable prices.

TOWN OFFICERS OF WALES.—Clerk and treasurer, G. S. Rogers; selectmen, overseers of the poor, and assessors, F. L. Burley, Warren Needham and D. F. Parker; school committee—for three years, D. F. Parker, for one year, H. A. McFarland; constable, E. D. Shaw. Appropriations deferred till the April meeting.

PARDONED.—Frederick A. Southwick, who was sentenced to jail for six months, from this place, for being the receiver of some stolen turkeys and chickens, was pardoned on Thursday, last week, by the Governor. His wife and five children were in the State Almshouse. He has taken them, and promises to leave the State.

THEODORE KAUDENS' advertises a fresh stock of spring goods. There is no better place in town to buy ladies' dress trimmings, fancy goods, &c., &c. He has, also, just received a lot of French and German traveling and work baskets, for ladies—a very fine article, which he is selling cheap. Call and see them.

SUPERINTENDENT OF THE MONSON STATE ALMSHOUSE.—On Tuesday last the Governor nominated Dr. Horace P. Wakefield, of Reading, for Superintendent of the Monson State Almshouse and Primary School, and the nomination will be confirmed next Tuesday. Dr. Wakefield has seen considerable experience in Institution-life, having been an inspector of the Tewksbury State Almshouse, and for several years its physician. He is a man of brains and manual force of character, and will infuse new life and energy into the Monson institution. He will enter upon his superintendency about the first of April.

TOWN REPORTS.—The annual reports of the school committee and selectmen are published, and make a very fair showing of affairs. That of the school committee, prepared by Rev. Mr. Haynes, discusses several topics very ably, and represents the schools as having been well kept during the past year, and again urges the abolition of the district system. The treasurer reports having received from the collector and borrowed $40,153.43, and paid out $30,447.41, leaving $9,708.02 in the treasury. The town owes in all $22,962.63, and after using up the funds on hand will have a balance against it of $10,107.90. It has cost $553.04, besides the wear and tear of the poor farm, to support an average of seven paupers through the year. The liquor agency has netted $80.74, having made this profit on $1217.48 worth of liquors, dispensed for medicinal and mechanical purposes.

TOWN MEETING.—Our annual town meeting occurred on Monday, and was pretty fully attended, notwithstanding the muddy traveling. No less than eight or ten tickets were in the field, making a very mixed condition of things. The fight over selectmen and clerk was pretty warm and doubtful to the end. The result, however, was as follows:—

Moderator.—E. B. Gates.
Clerk and Treasurer.—James B. Shaw.
Selectmen.—W. W. Cross, Parker W. Webster, John E. Crane.
Overseers of Poor.—Parker W. Webster, Purlin Shearer, A. R. Eurbeck, Jr.
Assessors.—John Clough, Purlin Shearer, D. B. Bishop.
School Committee (three years).—Wm. Holbrook.
Constables.—L. A. Nelson, T. D. Potter, James Knox, D. B. Bishop, Asa Morse, R. S. Hastings.
Fence Viewers.—Jesse M. Bullington, J. K. Knox, George W. Randall.
Highway Surveyors.—Albert Trumbull, Asa Shumway, Geo. D. Moody, P. W. Webster, Hiram Converse, Henry Blodgett, George Fleming, Luman Brown, Keyes Foster, James Fuller, Charles Hastings, Joshua Graves.
Field Drivers.—Samuel J. Bullock, C. D. Lewis, Thomas V. Kent, D. B. Matteson, Geo. Hastings, E. B. Gates, Harding Hunt.
Surveyors of Lumber—Geo. W. Randall, Nathan Howard, Albert Burleigh, John E. Mills, Coleman Barrett, O. F. Packard.
Measurers of Wood and Bark—G. W. Randall, Nathan Howard, M. D. L. Towne, Geo. M. Stacy, O. F. Packard, Geo. Hastings, Wm. Gully.
Sealers of Weights and Measures—Geo. M. Stacy, William Merriam.
Pound Keeper—Gustavus Keith.
Collector of Taxes—R. S. Hastings.
Appropriations—For schools, $4000; support of poor, $800; interest on town debt, $1300; contingent expenses, $2800; highways, $2600; reducing town debt, $600; bridges, $2000; new roads, $3000.

Voted—That 6 per cent. discount be allowed all persons who shall pay their taxes before August 1st. It was voted to provide a lock-up, and the selectmen were requested to make an estimate of the probable cost and report at a future meeting.

ILLEGALITY OF MONDAY'S TOWN MEETING.—There is little doubt that the town meeting held on Monday last was illegal. The town at a previous meeting had voted that the warrants calling all meetings should be published in the Palmer Journal. The selectmen neglected or forgot to order the constable to do this, and that officer posted the warrants in three public places as in former times. When the error was discovered, last Saturday, it was decided to go on and hold the meeting, and then get the legislature to legalize it, and efforts to that end are now making.—While the selectmen are about it, had they not better get the meeting for the election of State officers, last fall, legalized, as the warrant for that was not published, according to a vote of the town? Throwing out the vote of Palmer, the majorities of some of the candidates would be materially lessened. The old board of selectmen assumed to be pretty shrewd in business matters, and if this is a sample it must be conceded that they were so.

MONSON.—The following is a list of the town officers chosen at the town meeting on Tuesday, last week:—Clerk, George H. Newton; Selectmen, Austin Fuller, Dwight King, Calvin S. Pease; Assessors, Joshua Tracy, J. M. A. Squier, A. A. Warriner; Treasurer, Wm. N. Flynt; School Committee, Rev. C. B. Sumner; Constables, J. T. McMaster, H. H. Park, Albert Hayden; Fence Viewers, Lee Blanchard, Jacob L. Bradway, L. D. Shaw. At the same meeting it was voted to appropriate $100 towards covering the brook in front of Mrs. J. R. Flynt's premises; also to authorize the selectmen to purchase needed land adjoining the new cemetery, and fence the same.—G. E. Grant has sold his residence on Coburn Hill to Omar Pease for $1,400.—A co-partnership has been formed between J. H. Storrs, of Ware, and Wm. H. Gates, of this place, for the purpose of quarrying stone. The new firm propose to open the "Gates Quarry" as soon as the weather will permit, and are now engaged in putting up the necessary buildings for workmen. Practical quarry men give it as their opinion that this quarry, when opened, will give as splendid specimens of granite as any quarry in the country, and if so, the increase in building and the constant demand for this kind of building material, will undoubtedly make this business a lucrative one for the projectors of the enterprise. Mr. Gates has purchased of Mrs. Foster Pepper her house and out-buildings, opposite the Monson Hotel, as a boarding house for their help.—Charles B. Jones is making extensive and needed repairs upon the Dr. Ely place, recently purchased by him.—The Rev. R. H. Howard, who has so acceptably ministered to the spiritual wants of the M. E. Church Society, will, at the earnest request of his parishioners, continue for the ensuing year. Tenements are scarce, and there is an immediate demand for some half dozen near the centre of the town.—While other towns have been unusually excited over their local elections, Monson people have been discussing the matter of fire extinguishers. Although the small machine repaired by Mr. Timothy P. Packard has done good service, and ought to be duly appreciated by the public and he reimbursed for his expenses in regard to repairs, yet the real estate owners are devising plans for better security for the future. Some of the citizens have requested the selectmen to insert an article in the warrant for the next town meeting to see if the town will purchase one or more fire engines and provide suitable buildings for the same. It would undoubtedly be a good plan if a building for an engine house was erected, to have a portion of it for a lock-up, and thus kill two birds with one stone. Some ten or fifteen persons propose to invest from $50 to $75 each, and form a joint stock fire company and purchase an engine and building for their own exclusive use, and in case of fires to use their machine *only upon condition that they are well paid for it*, thus making it financially a good investment in case of serious danger; and who can say but what it might add to the number of fires, to thus increase the value of its stock. If, however, the town takes hold of the matter the joint stock company will not be formed; and for the interest of property owners, it is hoped some appropriation will be made, and the public not be *forced* to pay an exhorbitant price for the use of an engine in case of need. X.

THE SEASON.—The season bids fair for early warm weather. Already the snow is gone, and the songs of blue birds and robins greet the morning sun. The winter has been long and cold, holding us with a vice-like grasp, and we welcome more cordially the warm sunshine, the bare earth and the birdsongs. The ground has been frozen very deep, consequently the mud will not be shallow nor of short continuance. Indeed, few people ever knew it muddier than now, or the traveling worse.

CHURCH BURNED.—The Second Congregational Church in Norwich, Ct., was destroyed by fire kindled by an incendiary.—The total loss, which will reach $40,000, is partially covered by insurance policies representing $24,000, in New York and Providence Companies.

AMUSING SCARE.—A detachment of troops recently camped out two nights on the Virginia side of Long Bridge, anticipating a raid from Mosby, who had been reported as preparing for a dash on Washington, for the purpose of carrying off Secretary Stanton.

SPRING FLOODS.—In Canada, the greatest floods ever known have occurred this Spring, destroying an immense amount of property, in bridges, mills, railway tracks, &c. The damage at Chatham is $100,000. A large number of horses and cattle were drowned.

THINK OF THAT.—The Empress Eugenie, at last accounts, had three thousand dresses. So had Queen Elizebeth, 265 years ago.—And probably they were quite as rich, fashionable and elegant as Eugenie's. Yet they neither made her life nor death happy.

SIXTEEN MURDERS.—In Vienna, a woman has just confessed that during the last ten years, she and her father had committed 16 murders for money. Under her direction a search has been made, which resulted in the finding of all the skeletons.

ICE EMBARGO.—The inhabitants of the Fox Islands, Penobscot Bay, have been without communication with the rest of mankind for some three weeks, in consequence of an ice embargo, a fact quite unprecedented.

SUFFERING FOR FOOD.—The suffering among the fishermen of Nova Scotia for want of food is declared to be absolutely appalling, notwithstanding the aid contributed by the government and private individuals.

SUPERSEDED.—Lath and plaster are now superseded by a composition made of clay, cement, &c., and pressed into slabs. This is covered with paper, and is said to be cheaper and better than plaster.

Marriage Association.

Boston is famous for its Associations, the last of which is one to promote marriage and increase the population of the country. The sum of ten thousand dollars has been subscribed to carry out its plans, which are of a novel character. We copy from their constitution the following, for the benefit of those who may wish to join:

Any one can become a life-member by paying (either at once or by installments) the sum of $100, which entitles them to receive a marriage portion of $500 at the end of one year from the date of payment (if married), with interest from the date of membership, if married at that time, or from the date of marriage if married afterward; but none shall receive the $500 *until* married, as the purpose is to bring about a better social condition. Those wishing to withdraw can do so at any time; and upon relinquishing all claim to the Association, receive back whatever they have paid in, with interest.

If both husband and wife are life-members, they shall receive at the end of the first year $100 for each child born to them during the year, with interest from the birth of the child, and $100 on the birth of each subsequent child.

There shall also be deposited or invested by the Association, at the birth of each child, the sum of $100 in its own name, to accumulate until it is of legal age, and the parents shall receive for the support and education of each child, born after the date of membership, $100 annually until it is ten years old.

The Association will also double the savings of those married, or intending marriage, widows, children, &c., if put into the care of the Association for one year, or invested satisfactorily to the trustees, to remain so invested for one year, and interest will be guaranteed on all sums put into the care of the Association, or invested by the trustees, at the rate of 7½ per cent. per annum, for all periods less than six months, and for six months or more, at the rate of 10 per cent., compounded semi-annually.

For further information, apply to the undersigned, at the office of John Grant & Co., 19 Lindall street, Boston.

WM. BREWSTER, Treasurer.

INTERESTING TO LIVERY STABLE KEEPERS. In the Superior Civil Court, in Boston recently, Peter Riley, in an action of tort, sought to recover the value of a horse which he had let to one Isadore Gross, and which died from hard driving. The evidence showing that the team was let on the Lord's Day, and for pleasure, the Court ordered a verdict to be returned for the defendant, as the letting of the team was in violation of the law respecting the observance of the Sabbath.

AN OLD CLERK.—Hiram Barton, Esq., of Shaftsbury, Vt., at the last town meeting, March 3, received his 44th consecutive election to the office of Town Clerk. His predecessor, Jacob Galusha, held the office 44 years. Mr. Galusha's predecessor, Thomas Matteson, was the first Town Clerk.—Shaftsbury was chartered August 20, 1761. Its settlement was commenced about 1763.

FIRE IN SUFFIELD.—An incendiary fire Wednesday night in Suffield, Ct., burned a large double barn, belonging to Mr. Ashael Hathaway, with 40 tons of hay and 20 cows and oxen. A wagon house was torn down by hand, preventing the flames from communicating with the house. The barn was partially insured, and all the other property destroyed is a total loss.

A DEMOCRATIC SPEECH.—At a recent Democratic meeting held at Conviis, a Democratic leader, named P. S. Schuyler, was loudly called upon for a speech. Mr. S. not being prepared with a speech, rose and said: "Gentlemen, I am no speech-maker; but d—n the niggers; d—n the Republicans!" Having thus orated, Mr. Schuyler sat down, amid loud applause.

SINGULAR ACCIDENT.—A baggage-master on the Indianapolis, Cincinnati and Lafayette Railroad, last week threw a bundle of pick-axes out of the car window, near a way station, while the train was running at the rate of twenty-five miles an hour; and one of the picks struck a man who was standing near the track, and killed him.

CATTLE COMING NORTH.—Immense droves of cattle are reported to be moving northward from Texas. They are generally shipped first to Kentucky, and pastured awhile on the Blue Grass. Here they speedily improve in flesh so much as readily to sell for $20 to $40 a head over their original cost, transportation and feeding.

SUICIDE BY A SCHOOL BOY.—In Baltimore, on Monday, a lad of fourteen, in attendance on one of the city schools, committed suicide by hanging himself in an out-building attached to the school, and for the reason that, having been guilty of some misdemeanor, he was interdicted from playing with his school mates.

SUNDERLAND BRIDGE PARTIALLY DESTROYED.—The bridge over the Connecticut river, connecting Sunderland with South Deerfield, was partially swept away last Wednesday afternoon by a freshet. It was nine hundred feet long and had five spans, three of which still stand.

STICK TOGETHER.—As an evidence of the absence of partisanship on the part of the Democratic Senators, we notice that the Democrats are voting in a body on all questions. The Republican members divide, as their judgment leads them. Which side shows partisanship?

PHILLIPS ON IMPEACHMENT.—Wendell Phillips, in a letter to the Anti-Slavery Standard, says, that "to have impeachment fail, would be a national infamy, in the black darkness of which the mere annihilation of the Republican party would be but a trivial matter."

STOLEN.—On Monday night, a sword on exhibition at the Patent Office, worth $10,000 or $15,000, was stolen. It was presented by the Viceroy of Egypt to Commander Biddle of the Navy, many years ago, and was studded with diamonds.

ALARMED AT THE MOON.—Some person in New London, mistook the rising of the moon for a big fire at Groton and got up an alarm. Most of the bells were rung and the steamers got out, but the mistake was soon discovered.

CHEAP.—In Petrolia, the only region in Canada where oil is still produced, the price has fallen to forty cents a barrel. This will not pay for working the wells, and the population has deserted the formerly prosperous town.

WHISKY TAX.—Senator Morrill, of Vermont, says that nobody believes it possible to derive a revenue of fifty millions from whisky; for "it was a tax that would not be collected until men became as pure as angels."

PERSONS AND POLITICS.

John Breckenridge, Esq., of Jerusalem, has been suggested as a Democratic candidate for President.

The salary of the Governor of Wisconsin has been increased to $5000, and that of the Lieutenant-Governor to $1000.

The following notice appeared in a Connecticut paper: "Births.—In Cornwall, Feb. 5th, a son to John Trienchemenn, Esq.—a Democratic gain."

The Rochester Union accuses the Good Templars of "being all Radicals in their political faith." Very likely; rum runs with the Democracy—cold water with the Republicans.

The California Legislature is trying to amend the absurd law that disqualifies a man from serving as a juror because he has read a newspaper account of the crime.—The man who reads the most is the right one for the place.

Judge Caton counsels the Democrats to make the issue in the Presidential fight on the negro. The Chicago Times says it must be fought over greenbacks. So the Democracy insist upon making the fight a question of color.

John A. Brooks, a member of the Kentucky Legislature, has resigned. Brooks was elected by a Democratic majority of between 600 and 700, and in his letter of resignation declared his determination to act henceforth with the Republican party.

Major Pendleton, of the South Georgia Times, who has recently spent several months in traveling in Great Britain, and observing the condition of the country and the people, advises the people of the South to stick to their own country, go to work, and think no more of expatriation.

Brick Pomeroy pronounces savagely against President Johnson, whose position to-day, he says, "Commands neither our respect nor our confidence. He is a man of low moral nature, coarse-grain, great selfishness, and boundless ambition. Naturally a ruffian and tyrant, he is a great moral coward." *Et te Brute.*

A QUESTION OF COLOR.—Hartford is having a little excitement in relation to colored children attending in one of the public schools. The chairman of the district committee orders the teachers not to receive them any longer, while the acting school visitor tells the teacher to let them remain.

BLOWN OFF.—The cars of a train on the Indianapolis and Cincinnati Railroad, including the tender, were blown off the track near White Water River bridge, Tuesday morning, and turned over and over and broken to pieces. All the passengers were more or less hurt, but none seriously.

WHAT IS SLANDER?—Judge Ames has just decided that words spoken without malice, in the belief that they are true, are not slanderous; as in the case of a woman who had charged her servant with being a thief, he said the charge was not a slander if she had reason for so spenking.

THE STATE TAX.—Hampden and Hampshire counties are assessed as follows in the State tax for 1868:—

HAMPDEN COUNTY.

Agawam,	$1,800
Blandford,	1,200
Brimfield,	1,540
Chester,	1,080
Chicopee,	7,120
Granville,	1,220
Holland,	300
Holyoke,	5,540
Longmeadow,	2,100
Ludlow,	1,040
Monson,	2,860
Montgomery,	300
Palmer,	2,880
Russell,	500
Southwick,	1,320
Springfield,	28,500
Tolland,	640
Wales,	580
Westfield,	7,010
West Springfield,	2,760
Wilbraham,	1,460
Total,	$72,320

HAMPSIRE COUNTY.

Amherst,	$3,900
Belchertown,	2,510
Chesterfield,	800
Cummington,	820
Easthampton,	3,400
Enfield,	1,280
Goshen,	360
Granby,	1,040
Greenwich,	600
Hadley,	2,720
Hatfield,	2,840
Huntington,	960
Middlefield,	780
Northampton,	9,810
Pelham,	500
Plainfield,	580
Prescott,	520
South Hadley,	2,380
Southampton,	1,120
Ware,	2,860
Westhampton,	820
Williamsburg,	2,340
Worthington,	920
Total,	$13,880

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Adulterates our food by compounds vile,
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"Was that your dog?" said Bill, with his usual drawl.

"Certainly it was; and what right have you to kick him?"

"Why, he's mad," said Bill.

"No, he's not mad, either," said the owner.

"Well, I should be, if anybody kicked me in that way," responded Bill.

SINGULAR HOUSE.—A horse, ten years old, at Sheffield, Mass., has been out of the stable only about as many times in his life, was never broken, and but for his uncouth appearance would have died years ago.—His mane sweeps the ground as if to hide from view his fore feet, which are as flat and broad as a dining-plate.

A CALIFORNIA WONDER.—A wonderful phenomena is reported from California.—During the recent heavy flood on the Mokelumne River, near the town of Lockeford, the water was more than two feet higher on the north side, than during the flood of 1861 and '62, while it was about as much lower on the South side.

SINGULAR WAY TO GET A LIVING.—One Phillips, just caught by the London police, is found to have made a fair living for some time past by forging certificates of death. He looked up advertisements for missing relatives, called upon the advertisers, handed in a certificate of death, and pocketed the reward.

LOST FIVE WIVES.—The Virginia (Nevada) City Enterprise says that Brigham Young has had occasion, during the present winter, to mourn the decease of five of his wives, from pneumonic affections. Such are the mournful consequences of being married too much.

ALL ABOUT A DUCK.—A law suit is to take place in Meriden, Ct., on account of a one legged duck, which was a pet and flew away. The man on whose premises it alighted, kept it, and now claims $6 for expenses, which the owner refuses to pay.

AN EXAMPLE.—Gen. Chambers, of Louisville, has set an example for many young men who have been sometime married, which they would do well to profit by. He had a daughter born to him on his 74th birthday.

CROW ROOST.—All the crows in Kentucky roost near Lexington during the winter, filling the trees for miles. They fly away in the day time, going a great distance in search of food.

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LIBERAL.—Cassius H. Darling, a brakeman on the Boston, Clinton & Fitchburg Railroad, found in sweeping out his car at Fitchburg depot, recently, a bundle of various stocks and notes, amounting to more than $30,000. They proved to be the property of Willard Wheeler, Representative of Sudbury in the Legislature, and to have been stolen with other moneys from the safe at the National House, Boston, where he had deposited them for safe keeping. The robbers got them by an ingenious stratagem, and have now nearly $20,000 with them. Mr. Darling's pains were munificently rewarded with five dollars!

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A WITTY REPLY.—A good story is told of one of the baggage masters at a station on the Boston and Albany Railroad—a fat, good natured, droll fellow, whose jokes have become quite popular on the road. His name is Bill ——. A few mornings since, while in the performance of his duties in changing baggage, an ugly Scotch terrier got in his way, and he gave the cur a smart kick, which sent him over the track yelping. The owner of the dog soon appeared, in high dudgeon, wanting to know why Bill had kicked his dog.

"Was that your dog?" said Bill, with his usual drawl.

"Certainly it was; and what right have you to kick him?"

"Why, he's mad," said Bill.

"No, he's not mad, either," said the owner.

"Well, I should be, if anybody kicked me in that way," responded Bill.

SINGULAR HORSE.—A horse, ten years old, at Sheffield, Mass., has been out of the stable only about as many times in his life, was never broken, and but for his uncouth appearance would have died years ago.—His mane sweeps the ground as if to hide from view his fore feet, which are as flat and broad as a dining-plate.

A CALIFORNIA WONDER.—A wonderful phenomena is reported from California.—During the recent heavy flood on the Mokelumne River, near the town of Lockeford, the water was more than two feet higher on the north side, than during the flood of 1861 and '62, while it was about as much lower on the South side.

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ALL ABOUT A DUCK.—A law suit is to take place in Meriden, Ct., on account of a one legged duck, which was a pet and flew away. The man on whose premises it alighted, kept it, and now claims $6 for expenses, which the owner refuses to pay.

AN EXAMPLE.—Gen. Chambers, of Louisville, has set an example for many young men who have been sometime married, which they would do well to profit by. He had a daughter born to him on his 74th birthday.

CROW ROOST.—All the crows in Kentucky roost near Lexington during the winter, filling the trees for miles. They fly away in the day time, going a great distance in search of food.

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Passed by busy and careless feet—
Hundreds bent upon folly and pleasure,
Hundreds with plenty, and time, and leisure;
Leisure to speed Christ's mission below,
To teach the erring and raise the lowly—
Plenty, in charity's name, to show
That life has something divine and holy.

Boasted charms—classical brow,
Delicate features—look at them now.
Look at her lips; once they could smile;
Eyes—well, never more they shall beguile;
Never more, never more, word of hers
A hlush shall bring to the saintliest face.
She has found, let us hope and trust,
Peace in a higher and better place;
And yet, despite of all ill, I ween,
Joy of some heart she must have been.
Some fond mother, proud of the task,
Has stooped to linger each dainty curl;
Some vain father has bowed to ask
A blessing for her, his darling girl.
Hard to think, as we look at her there,
Of all the tenderness, love and care.
Lonely watching and sore heart-ache—
All the agony, burning tears,
Joys and sorrows, and hopes and fears,
Breathed and suffered for her sweet sake.

Fancy will picture a home afar,
Out where the daisies and buttercups are,
Out where the life-giving breezes blow,
Far from these narrow streets, foulsome and low,
Fancy will picture a lonely hearth,
And an aged couple dead to mirth—
An aged couple, broken and gray,
Kneeling beside a bed to pray;
Or, lying awake o' nights to bark
For a thing that may come in the rain and the dark,
A hollow-eyed woman with weary feet.
Better they never know
She whom they cherished so
Lies this night, lone and low,
Dead in the street.

—*From Cassell's Magazine.*

ORIGINAL STORY.

THE LITTLE PAUPER GIRL.

Little Nelly had no knowledge of either father or mother. She only knew from her earliest recollections that her home was at the State Almshouse, among hundreds of little boys and girls, who, like herself, had been cast on the charity of the world for support—knowing not the tenderness of a mother's love, or the watchful care of a doting father. The world to her seemed a blank, her life a desert waste. She had been cast on the waves of Time without guide or compass, and she knew no plan mapped out for her future, and no destiny save such as time and circumstances should unfold. It is well that the State has so large a share of sympathy for this unfortunate class of young, when parents forget their children, and leave them to struggle through life as best they can. Nature had endowed this little child with a fair form and beautiful features, added to which she had a soft, sweet, musical voice, and an amiable disposition; and though boys and girls are apt to quarrel and tantalize their little companions, she had at all times a smile and a pleasant word for all, and she made warm friends wherever she went. She was evidently of a good family, and sure to make her mark in the world.

Catherine, the wife of Peter the Great, was the child of poverty, born of poor parents, who were early taken from her in youth, and she left to depend on the cold charity of strangers, when circumstances placed her in a position to rise and become in after life the wife of one of the greatest rulers; and, after he had passed away, the Empress of the Russian Empire.

Why should not Nelly, too, win for herself a name? why should she always toil and drudge through life because she had no one to help her on, or give her an encouraging word. The neglected acorn that is carelessly thrown upon the ground as of no account, or worthless, and soon forgotten, contains a germ which a morsel of moistened earth starts into life, and puts forth tender branches, that find nourishment in the sunshine and shower, and in time grows to be a stately and majestic oak. Our smartest and most talented men and women, who have risen to positions of eminence in the land, are those who in youth sprung from poor and unpretending parents, and oftentimes from those who in early life sunk into obscurity and untimely graves.

Who and what the parents of Nelly were no one pretends to know. We can only judge of the tree from the fruit it bears. At an early age she was taken from her home at the almshouse and bound to service, to remain during her minority—the State assuming to be her guardian, and those with whom she went to live, her foster parents. This was a great and pleasant change for the poor child. Going away from her little companions, to whom she had become much attached, and for whom she cherished much love, was a great trial to her feelings; yet she bore up under it nobly. She was cheerful and apparently happy. It was her heart and mind that gave beauty to her face, and while she kept the one pure and the other bright, she was sure to look pretty enough.

Mr. Savel and his wife were living in Connecticut. They were childless. A link in the chain of conjugal bliss was wanting—a tie to bind them with chords of tenderness and love, and bring them nearer together. They had lived and looked for a long time to find some little cherub to come in and share their love and their home with them. They were good, kind people, and in comfortable circumstances, and it was rightly thought by her guardians that they had secured a good home for Nelly. She soon became interested in her new home, where everything about the house was arranged with exquisite taste and neatness. The bedroom, which she was to have for her own, was carpeted and curtained, and her bed, with its clean white spread and downy pillows, looked inviting indeed; but when she came to be alone by herself, and for the first time, her thoughts went back over the hills and the valleys to the great long hall where she had so often laid down among the rows of little beds with her little companions, to sleep the innocent sleep of childhood. The sympathy of her heart went out for those she had left behind her. She thought too of her future—wondering in her own mind what it would be. She was thankful that a change had brought her to so good a home, and among such good, kind people. She felt that she must learn to love them as her parents. This was to be her little world—the great sun of her existence, around which the lesser lights of her being were to revolve. There are some families with whom we never can associate the idea of love—who have such perfect unity of character we never can imagine them as forming the *half* of another. When we meet a person of this description we wonder by what invisible wires the electric spark was communicated to a kindred heart; we wonder if they ever walked under the silvery light of the moon, listening to music sweeter than the songs of angels, and clasping with thrilling touch the mutual hand.

Mr. Savel was a merchant—a country merchant—whose yearly profits were far more than his expenses. He and his wife lived prudently, and the hand of industry was accumulating wealth.

Nelly was initiated into all the little mysteries of housekeeping and house-cleaning. She was allowed the privilege of both a summer and winter school, and during vacations was engaged in domestic affairs.

Years rolled by—years of happiness and joy to Nelly. She could wish that she might drink at the fountain of perpetual youth; but these passing years were bringing her to the verge of womanhood, and she must put away all childish things—she must learn to be a woman and take a woman's part in the world. She had won the affection of her parents by her uniform kindness and amiable disposition, and her constant study to please and take upon herself the burdens which fell to the lot of her friends. We have seen a whole house made fragrant by the perfume of one flower that was found blooming there. So, too, was the whole neighborhood made fragrant with the love of little Nelly. She possessed the gift of song, and that, too, so naturally that one would as little think of inquiring whence she had caught it or what master had taught her, as asking the same questions about a bird, in whose small, sweet strains of music we recognize the voice of the Creator as distinctly as in the accents of His thunder. She was happy—happy because it was her natural disposition to be so. She had found a good home, and enjoyed all of her home-comforts. Her friends were kind and tender to her—supplying all her worldly wants with a generous hand; yet often, when in the solitude of her own thoughts, when listening to the loud ticking of the old-fashioned clock that stood behind the door, whose solemn sound was like the beating of the heart of time, she felt lonely—melancholy. Her restless eyes were fixed on the illuminated hearth, while her spirit went back in the shadowy past and wandered amidst some of the faded visions of her youth. The vision of her father and her mother would come up before her, and she would wonder who or what they could be, or what untoward circumstances forced them, in their dire extremity, to cast her away from their presence forever, leaving her in her weakness to struggle through life or sink under the burdens that might be forced upon her.

The years that had passed had been years of plenty, and the Savels had prospered far beyond their expectations. They had outgrown the place. A man of his wealth and his years should find a place more adapted to his circumstances, and he should leave the country village to new beginners—to a young man with less wealth. New York was selected for his future home. Here was a field in which he could exert his energies to a good purpose, and his arrangements were soon made to remove there; but when the news was communicated to his wife and Nelly, it caused sadness in their hearts. They were greatly attached to their home and their neighbors. How could they bear the thought of breaking away from their early associations—from all their kind friends—and go away to live among strangers? Then they thought of their little garden, filled with plants and trees and running vines, planted, reared and trained by their own hands. How could they leave them to the care of strangers? For a time gloomy thoughts and sadness came over them, but they soon passed away. The source of great grief is often dried up with the thoughts of new scenes and new faces. The regrets of leaving the comforts of a country home are carried quickly away by the splendors and gaity of a city life. The one is innocent and pure, the other intoxicating and dangerous.

We are all unconsciously actors on the great stage of life. The scenes are constantly changing. We are hurried on from one act to another, without hardly knowing the part we are to take or who are to be our companions.

The Savels and Nelly had taken up their abode in the great city. High rents had driven them to a hotel to board; so that to them the change was still greater than it would have been to have kept house and had a little home of their own. To some it would have been an agreeable change to be continually surrounded with new faces and new fashions, where everything wears a gilded covering, where vice is often clothed in fine silks and satins, and virtue in scanty rags; but Nelly judged them all by the standard of her own pure thoughts, and felt that her life was to be spent in some higher and holier purpose than to simply live in the indulgence of a fashionable city life. Those who knew her best loved her most. She was not one of those flashy beauties, who sparkle and shine on first acquaintance, but rather one whose modest, retiring habits called about her a class of substantial friends, who could appreciate her for her true womanly worth. Among them was Reuben Rathburn, a bachelor and a man of wealth, who saw in the modest country girl a rare gem—an uncut and unpolished diamond. He saw in her mind the depths of a pure and untried love, and an innocent heart; he saw a prize he should like to win. He saw, too, the danger and the risk he would run if she remained there exposed to the chance of making new acquaintances, and the ground he would lose in trying to win her to himself. She must be taken away from her crowd of admirers before she became dazzled with brilliant offers. A boarding-school for young ladies seemed the most advantageous; for there she would receive some polish and finishing touches to her country education. She would be out of the way of all temptation, and while she was receiving her education at his expense, he could win her to his favor, and in time press his suit for her hand. This was his first love. For years he had passed on in life without any cupid arrow piercing his heart. He had been successful in business, but not in love. But now the ice that encased his heart began to melt away, and he saw for the first time in his life the idol of his affections. Her natural truthfulness made her seem to him like a bird in a shady tree, or conveyed to him the idea that the streams of life ran through her heart as a brook some times warbles through a pleasant little dell.

Nelly accepted the offer of a year's tuition, and at once commenced the task of finishing her education. During the year she saw or knew but little of what was passing outside the circle of her schoolmates. She made good progress in her school, and among her companions she made many warm friends. Wherever she went she seemed to move in a charmed atmosphere. The sweetness of her life seemed to fall on all around her, like the perfume of flowers which fill the air with their sweetness.

A year! How soon it passes away. To some how short—to others how long. To some in the short space of a single year has been concentrated the aroma of a human life—to others the bitterness and sorrow of a whole existence. To Nelly it had glided by like the breeze whose breath we feel touch our brow and pass away. It had been a year full of abiding interest to her, and now she must return once more to her friends; she must return to her city life, and see what the future would unfold to her.

Her benefactor was all attention. He was pleased with the progress she had made. The gem that was dull and cloudy had become a pure brilliant, that shone with a dazzling brightness in the sunlight of her many friends. Rathburn saw that delay might prove dangerous to him, and he at once pressed his suit. He offered her his heart and fortune, and proposed at once to make her his wife.

Poor child! She was overwhelmed with grief. The wide difference of age had caused her to regard him only as a friend, and as such she loved him dearly. He seemed to her like a father, but to regard him as a husband was a thing she could never do. She met the offer and made her refusal in such a spirit of love and kindness that she still retained him as a lasting friend. He felt in his heart that she was right—it would be like a wedding of May and December—the hot blood of youth with the cold and languid pulse of age—the roses and blossoms of June with the hoary frosts of winter. In his heart he could not blame her. What a mystery is the human heart? We have often thought that the first influence of a warm and tender love—the love of one heart acting on another—was forever fastened there, as the shadow of the human face is transferred to the surface of the polished plate of the daguerrean artist, and that no effort of the human mind could ever efface it from the soul. Many marry for convenience, some for wealth, while a few marry for love.—Nelly's heart and thoughts were pure. There was one among her many admirers whose presence and words awakened emotions in her heart, such as were new to her. His voice had always a pretty music in it, and could either enliven her by its sparkle and gaiety of tone, or sooth her by a continued flow of brook-like cadences.

James Sandford was a young man of wealth and great promise. He was a merchant in high standing, whose hand few young ladies would be likely to refuse. He and Nelly seemed drawn together by an invisible power—drawn as the magnet is attracted by steel. It needed no words of tenderness and love to bring them within the charmed circle. It was a union of hearts—a union where the tongue was mute and the voice dumb. Rathburn gave away the bride; he gave away the dearest treasure of his heart; he gave them and their friends a splendid entertainment.

James and Nelly sailed a short time since in an English steamer to spend a year in Europe, after which they will return to settle among their many friends. O. W. F.

Boston, March, 1868.

MY WIFE'S PIANO.

The deed is accomplished. My wife has got a piano, and now farewell the tranquil mind. It came on a dray. Six men carried it into the parlor, and it groaned awfully. It weighs a ton, shines like a mirror, and has carved cupids climbing up his limbs. And such lungs—whew!

My wife has commenced to practice, and the first time she touched the machine I thought we were in the midst of a thunder storm and the lightning had struck the crockery chest. The cat, with tail erect, took a bee line for a particular friend upon the fence, demolishing a six shilling pane of glass. The baby awoke, and the little fellow tried his best to beat the instrument, but he couldn't do it. It beat him.

A teacher has been introduced into the house. He says he is the last of Napoleon's grand army. He wears a huge moustache, looks at me fiercely, smells of garlic, and goes by the name of Count Run-a-way-never-come-back-again. He played an extract de opera the other night. He ran his fingers through his hair twice, then grinned, then cocked his eyes up at the ceiling like a monkey hunting flies, and I heard a delightful sound, similar to that produced by a cockroach dancing upon the tenor string of a fiddle. Down came another finger, and I was reminded of the wind whistling through a knot-hole in a hen coop. He touched his thumb, and I thought that I was in an orchard listening to the distant braying of a jackass. Now he ran his fingers along the keys and I thought of a boy rattling a stick upon a store box or a picket fence. All of a sudden he stopped, and I thought something had happened. Then came down both flats, and, oh, Lord! such a noise was never heard before—I thought a hurricane had struck the house and the walls were caving in. I imagined I was in a cellar, and a ton of coal was falling about my head. I thought the machine had bursted, when the infernal noise stopped, and I heard my wife ejaculate:

"Exquisite!"

"What the deuce is the matter?" I inquired.

"Why, my dear, that is La Somnambula."

"D——n Somnambula," thought I, and the Count rolled up his sheet of paper. He calls it music; but for the life of me I cannot make it look like anything else but a rail fence with a lot of juvenile niggers climbing over.

AN EXTRA ARTICLE WANTED FOR A SMALL PRICE.—Dr. Rice, when at the head of the theological seminary in Prince Edwards, Va., was requested by the people of one of the out-parishes to send them a minister. They wanted one who could visit a good deal, for their former minister neglected that, and they wanted to bring that up.—They wanted a man of very gentlemanly deportment, for some thought a great deal of that. And so they went on describing a perfect minister. The last thing they mentioned was—they gave their last minister $350; but if the doctor would send them such a man as they described, they would raise another $50, making it $400. Dr. Rice immediately replied, advising them to send for Dr. Dwight to heaven, as he did not know of any one on earth that would suit them.

LOVE POWDERS.—A negro woman living on the outskirts of Columbus, Miss., is driving quite a profitable business in dispensing "love powders" and other conjuring medicines to a large number of her own race of both sexes.

MOTHER'S COOKIES.—Eight cups of flour, four of sugar, one of sour cream, one of butter, two eggs and one teaspoonful of soda.

LETTER FROM CONNECTICUT.

JEWETT CITY, March, 1868.

MR. EDITOR—My Dear Sir: Many a time since I have been a sojourner in this land of "steady habits," have I turned back, in thought, to the quiet homes and the home-like quiet of Eastern Hampden, where not a few of the pleasantest days of my life have been passed. Your own town and an adjoining one abound with reminiscences to me—some pleasant, some painful, yet all full of interest. Your churches and schools and children, your good men, (and women, too), your great men, and some of your little men thinking themselves great, will not soon be forgotten. Your hills, and plains, and rivers are so photographed on the memory as not to fade out by change of climate, or the wear and tear of time. The sound of those morning and evening bells leaping up the hill-sides, running through the shady vales—now ringing us to work, now to eat, and now to go to bed; their echoes still seem faintly heard, like the murmurings of a far-off land.

I seem to see, also, your own sanctum, whence the unassuming, but really meritorious JOURNAL comes forth weekly; and the pleasant cottage where your home-jewels are garnered, and where hospitality never fails, as way-marks, bright spots, and beacons that first arrest the eye of the traveler returning to his early home. But enough for the present of what is *there*.—Now, perhaps you and your readers would like to know a little that is *here*. Some of them have been here; and one I know is a native of this town, and will be glad to hear from home. For the information of all then, let me say that

JEWETT CITY

is a village of twelve or fifteen hundred inhabitants in the town of Griswold. It is eight miles northeast from Norwich, very pleasantly situated at the junction of, and between the Quinebang and Pachang Rivers, and directly on the Norwich & Worcester Railroad. The Providence & Hartford Railroad also passes through the town, with a depot within a mile of this village, so that Jewett City enjoys grand railroad facilities.

THE ORIGIN OF THE NAME

of this place appears from the following inscription on a monument in the cemetery of the village: "In memory of Mr. Eliezer Jewett, who died Dec. 7th, 1817, in the 87th year of his age. In April, 1771, he began the settlement here, and from his persevering industry and active benevolence, the place has derived its present importance; its name will perpetuate his memory."

Dr. Charles Jewett, the well known and popular Temperance lecturer, was born in this immediate vicinity; and Rev. Dr. Robert L. Stanton, professor in Danville Theological Seminary, and President of the Mississippi College, Henry B. Stanton, the long distinguished Anti-Slavery lecturer, Moses C. Tyler, professor in Michigan University, also Mr. Prentice of the Louisville Journal, were natives of this town. To these names of honorable mention might be added another, one of your own townsmen—a man of genuine but modest worth, and of great industry and thrift.—Dr. Asa Burton, the famous vindicator of the "Taste Scheme" in Theology, in opposition to the "Exercise Scheme," of which Dr. Emmons was the acknowledged champion, passed the first fourteen years of his life. There are also residing here now, besides the settled pastors of the place, Rev. Messrs. T. L. Shipman, Paul Couch, and N. T. Allen, all of them long and favorably known to the churches, for their efficient services in the ministry, during past years. Here, too, was the scene of some of the labors of that eminent Christian layman, Harlan Page, whose personal efforts for the salvation of men were so remarkable, and whose memoirs have been read in all Christain lands. Here he labored at his trade for *seventy-five cents a day*.

MANUFACTORIES.

There are three cotton factories in this village, all on the Pachang, containing 30,000 spindles, and employ 500 operatives, mostly Irish and French. A fine new brick mill was erected three years ago, and also near it a large number of tenements for factory families. John F. Slater, of Norwich, the enterprising owner of one of the factories here, is about to erect a substantial, fire-proof edifice for a public library, and furnish it with a large collection of most valuable books, particularly for the use of operatives and mechanics. An extensive reading room will be connected with the same, freely open to public use.

There are three churches in this village: Congregational, Baptist and Catholic.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

The Congregational Church was organized in 1825 with 23 members, twenty of whom came by letter from the First Church in Griswold. At first this church worshipped in an unfinished stone structure in the upper part of the village, erected in 1814 for Episcopal uses. This organization became extinct at the end of four years, and it was bought by the Congregationalists at the time their church was formed. It was afterwards remodeled and used for thirty-eight years, and then sold to the Catholics. And in place of this, the Congregational Society has just erected a new and beautiful house of worship. It was dedicated, with very interesting services, last December. It is of wood, with a brick basement, 67 feet long and 43 wide, containing 60 pews and will seat 400 persons. The cost was $15,000, of which $8000 was raised by subscription. The pulpit and furniture—which, together with the trimmings of the pews, are of black walnut—are upholstered with green plush, in the latest style and highest finish.

A silver communion service, rich marble-top communion table, sofa and chairs for the pulpit, heavy bronze chandelier and eight or nine handsome bronze brackets and lamps, an elegant pulpit Bible and a beautiful Mason & Hamlin organ, together with an expensive song roll for the Sabbath School, were all the gifts from friends, mostly connected with the Society. The first pastor of this church was Rev. Seth Bliss. He was ordained the same year the church was organized, and, after a pastorate of nearly seven years, he was dismissed, and subsequently became the Secretary of the American Tract Society, at Boston. Since Mr. Bliss the following pastors have been connected with the church: Rev. Messrs. George Perkins, Wm. Wright, L. L. Shipman, Henry T. Cheever, and the present pastor, Rev. J. W. Tuck, who was ordained May 3d, 1866.

The whole number of persons who have been connected with this church since its organization is 315; present membership, 130.

CHURCH CONFERENCES

Six Congregational Churches in this neighborhood have been holding monthly meetings for conference and prayer. These meetings are like those that used to be held a few years ago by the churches of Thorndike, Ware, Enfield and Greenwich, and which are probably still continued. The intermission, fellowship meeting, accompanied with refreshments for all, added a marked interest to the occasion, and awakened the best of feeling. The Sabbath School connected with this church numbers 175, embracing persons of all ages, with an average attendance of 104.

BAPTIST CHURCH.

This church has a much larger membership than the Congregational, and is one of the first of its order in New London county. Rev. N. T. Allen, who has been its able and successful pastor for more than twelve years past, has just been succeeded by Rev. C. W. Ray, formerly of Stonington.

PACHAUG CHURCH.

Three miles from this village is the ancient Pachaug Church, the first, and for many years, the only one in town. It is pleasantly situated on the river of the same name, and near a grove of venerable oak trees, reminding me of the beautiful church edifice in Ludlow, and its ancient and honorable oaks. How many memories cluster around those noble, friendly trees, both here and there. Could they talk, what a history they might narrate of what has transpired beneath their spreading branches! Rev. B. F. Northrop, an excellent brother, is the pastor of the Pachaug Church. Nearer still, and on the same river, two miles distant, is Hopeville, another manufacturing village, owned by H. & E. Lathrop, good men, generous and just. The woolen business being much depressed, their mills are not now running.

POLITICS.

Copperheads abound here, and if their money and liquor holds out, they will buy votes enough to carry the election in April in favor of A. Johnson, J. Davis, F. Rum & Co. Still the Republicans hope for better things, and confidently predict the downfall of the sham and shallow Democracy. Old Griswold is, of course, decidedly a Republican town. Seventy men went from here to the war, of whom forty were from this village. All but fifteen have returned, and will vote for Jewell for Governor, and will fight again for Freedom when called for, and against rebels and traitors. T.

THE BIGGEST CALF.—A fellow at a cattle show, was making himself ridiculously conspicuous by an evident intention of finding fault with everything. At last he burst forth with, "Call these prize cattle? Why, they ain't nothing to what our folks raised. My father raised the biggest calf of any man round our parts!" "I don't doubt it," was the timely remark of a bystander; "and the noisiest." The forward youth, as may well be imagined incontinently subsided.

WHEN TO CLEAN TEETH.—All admit that acids are the most exclusive agents in commencing the decay in teeth. The action is undoubtedly begun in sleep. Through the day a person is occasionally drinking, eating, &c., and acids are continually disturbed in their action, but during sleep they are active, and, if present, will certainly prey upon the teeth. Therefore, before retiring is the proper time to clean them if done only once in a day.

SALT RISING, OR YEAST, FOR BREAD.—To half a pint of soft water add a small piece of butter and one teaspoonful of salt. Let it stand in a warm place until it rises; it will take about five hours. The bread should be made as soon as the yeast comes up.

—When the Breton mariner puts to sea, his prayer is, "*Keep me my God! my boat is so small, and thy ocean is so wide.*" Does not this beautiful prayer truly express the condition of each of us?

The Journal.

SATURDAY, MARCH 28, 1868.

POLAND is no more, Russia having decreed the total suppression of her nationality, and the absorption of Poland into Russia. History will count the conduct of Russia toward Poland among the greatest political crimes of the nineteenth century.

THE new license bill, with a few slight amendments, was passed to a third reading in the lower branch of the Legislature on Thursday. The democrats and license men had caucused for several days previous, till they had arranged things to operate like clock-work.

THE latest advices from Japan announce that the civil war has resulted in the defeat of the Tycoon, who had fled to Jeddo. The government of the Mikado binds itself to a faithful observance of the treaties concluded with the foreign powers. All the foreigners are said to have left Hiogo and Osaca.

LOUIS NAPOLEON seems to have forgotten the lesson which Mexico taught him, and to be desirous to embark in another American intervention. This time it is Hayti which has excited his ambition, on the pretext that she has not paid her debt to France. He had better remember Maximillian, and desist from another foolhardy adventure.

STIRRING news is shortly expected in England from the Abyssinian expedition. Gen. Napier intends to surprise the enemy by suddenly marching upon Magdala, and thus liberating the captives. King Theodore does not show himself a formidable opponent; but whether the climate will be equally powerless to thwart the object of the expedition remains to be seen.

THE President has a mania for pardoning criminals. Within two years he has pardoned one hundred and twenty-five persons convicted and sent to prison for counterfeiting Government money. The reasons for doing this have been very trivial, and sometimes very absurd. Forgiveness is a Christian virtue, and we could wish that Johnson would exercise that virtue as freely towards good loyal citizens as he does towards criminals and rebels.

THE bill repealing taxes upon the great bulk of industrial pursuits passed both branches of Congress with great unanimity. It stood 122 to 2 in the House and 36 to 3 in the Senate. This is against the opinion of Secretary McCulloch, who says we shall not have means to pay the expenses of Government. The President is also against it, and threatens a veto. As a political measure it takes the wind out of the sails of the democrats, who have been crying against taxation. The bill still hangs in the Senate, and may be revised before it goes to the President.

NOTWITHSTANDING repeated failures, the Fenians still keep England in a ferment. Hanging them does not lessen the number nor abate the zeal of that organization. It may be due to the large body of Fenians in this country, who are out of harm's way, yet have the power to encourage hope and keep alive the fire of patriotism at home. This trouble has become chronic, and will not be cured so easily. It is quite certain that it must be treated kindly or it can never be eradicated. Ireland demands its rights, and it never will give up till they are conceded.

THE State election in Connecticut occurs on the 6th of April, and the canvass will be lively till that time. A number of eloquent speakers from Washington are now laboring in the State, and the strife recently witnessed in New Hampshire will be repeated in Connecticut. The Republicans stand better than they did a year ago, as they have not got to fight against negro suffrage. They have put in nomination very excellent candidates, and adopted a very sensible and moderate platform. Neither Mr. Jewell, their candidate for Governor, nor Mr. Wayland, their candidate for Lieutenant Governor, has ever been an active politician or identified with the party strifes of the day; and both are gentlemen of eminent ability. The strength of the democracy will be violent, for Copperheadism abounds in Connecticut, to the disgrace and disadvantage of the State. Success may be with the latter once more, but it cannot come except in a reduced majority. The Republicans have a hard battle to fight, and we pray that they may be victorious.

TWO GIRLS DROWNED.—On Thursday afternoon, last week, while Capt. Raine, the Lighthouse Keeper at Crown point, his son and two daughters were striving to cross Lake Champlain on the ice, the ice gave way and they were precipitated into the water. The son succeeded in saving his father, but the two young ladies became entangled in the sleigh and were drowned.

THE GREATEST BANKRUPT.—The London, Chatham and Dover Railway Company appear as claimants on the estate of Sir Morton Peto and his partners for the large sum of $33,000,000. An English paper thinks "there never was such an account filed in any bankruptcy of a private firm since the world began." Let us hope there never will be again.

POOR BUSINESS.—Two libel suits against newspapers in New York have just been decided in favor of the newspapers. It is seldom a man makes anything by suing a newspaper for libel, except to deplete his own pocket. We have had some experience in being sued for libel, and always came out first best.

IMPEACHMENT.

The High Court of Impeachment sat again on Monday, the ten days allotted to President Johnson for preparation for trial having expired. The President, through his counsel, made answer in a lengthy document, covering eighty pages of foolscap. It will be remembered that of the eleven articles nine are variations upon the removal of Stanton. Every detail of these is gone over at length in rigid legal form. His reply to the first article is a specimen of his way of treating them all.

"He (the President) denies that the said Stanton on the 21st day of February, 1868 was lawfully in possession of the said office of Secretary for the Department of War. He denies that the said Stanton on the day last mentioned was lawfully entitled to hold the said office against the will of the President of the United States. He denies that the said order for the removal of said Stanton was unlawfully issued. He denies that the said order was issued with intent to violate the act entitled 'An act to regulate the tenure of certain civil offices.' He denies that the said order was a violation of the last mentioned act. He denies that the said order was a violation of the Constitution of the United States, or any law thereof, or of his oath of office. He denies that the said order was issued with an intent to violate the Constitution of the United States, or any law thereof, or this respondent's oath of office. And he respectfully but earnestly insists that not only was it issued by him in the performance of what he believed to be an imperative official duty, but in the performance of what this honorable court will consider was in point of fact an imperative official duty. And he denies that any and all substantive matters in the said first article contained in manner and form as the same are therein stated and set forth, do by law constitute a high misdemeanor in office, within the true intent and meaning of the Constitution of the United States."

The President also denies emphatically the charges of conspiracy with General Thomas, of attempts to hinder the execution of the acts of Congress, of seeking to use force to effect his purpose, and of trying to induce General Emory to violate the law; also the accuracy of the extracts purporting to be quoted from his speech at St. Louis, assailing Congress, but, at the same time insists upon his right to express his views as to the policy of Congress, and alleges that the specifications affect only his discretion upon the occasion referred to.

In reply to the eleventh and final article he denies that he ever questioned the power or validity of Congress as now organized, but, at the same time, again insists upon his right to a public expression of his opinions.

Mr. Johnson repeats and reiterates what he alleged in his special message to Congress some weeks ago, and what he has put forward frequently since then—that the sole object of his proceedings in the Stanton case was to bring the matter before the courts, that he might obtain a legal decision as to the constitutionality of the law for regulating the tenure of civil offices.

After the President's answer had been presented by his counsel application was made for an extension of thirty days' time to prepare for the trial. This was resisted by the House managers, on the ground that the trial should be brought to a close with all possible haste. The court adjourned to consider the matter, and on Tuesday the managers put in their reply, which was brief and pointed, and the court decided to give him till next Monday, the 30th, in which to complete his preparation for the trial. The trial may last a month, and perhaps longer. The managers will endeavor to hasten it through, while counsel for the President will try to prolong it. The general impression at Washington is that the President will be found guilty. Mr. Black, one of his lawyers, has withdrawn from the case, stating that he and the President cannot agree upon the plan of defence.

DARING ROBBERY AND MURDER.—A young man named Sykes, on the Grand Trunk Railroad Sunday night was asked to step into the sleeping car, and while on the platform he was seized by two men who took from him his money, watch and valise and then threw him off the train, hoping thereby to hide their crime. Mr. Sykes was found the next morning in an insensible condition, the vital spark having nearly fled. Although he received every attention he rallied only sufficiently to give the foregoing particulars before his death.

EXECUTION.—J. Ward, alias Jerome Lavigne, of New York City, who was convicted of the murder of Mrs. Griswold, at Williston, Vt., was executed on Friday of last week, at 1½ o'clock, within the walls of the State Prison, at Windsor. He confessed his complicity in the murder on the scaffold.

CHEATING IN WHISKEY.—There are, it is said, nearly 50 distilleries for the manufacture of whiskey in the city of New York, and the fact that whiskey can be bought there for $1.25 per gallon (75 cents less than the Government tax) is thought to be conclusive evidence of enormous frauds.

HONEST OR NOT?—San Francisco with a hundred and twenty thousand inhabitants pays more money into the internal revenue of the United States, than New York City with its eight hundred thousand? So it is, however. Are the people honester out there?

THREE BROTHERS MURDERED.—A dispatch from St. Louis says that three brothers named Collins were recently murdered near Denver, Colorado, by a traveling companion who has escaped. The bodies of the murdered men have been discovered.

PERHAPS SO.—The New Bedford Standard thinks the Agricultural College at Amherst will turn out to be a great, ornamental, useless, good-for-nothing humbug, so far as the real interests of agriculture are concerned.

COURT PROFITS.—The total amount of verdict recovered at the February term of the Superior Court for Berkshire county was less than $20, and the Court cost the county about $1500.

A MANIAC IN THE CARS.—A crazy man in the cars, on the Grand Trunk Railroad, stabbed three passengers on Friday, one of them dangerously.

The Campaign of 1868.

The Democracy is going into the Presidential campaign without guide or compass, having no particular policy, and with little hope of wining the day. Having lost prestige, having lost confidence in themselves, the leaders disagree upon all national topics except one, and that is the fact that they are pretty essentially used up. In the campaign upon which we are entering "they will rely on the errors and wrongs of the Republicans—not at all on their own superior merits. It is a striking fact that no party in the country ever entered upon an important political canvass without any common platform, or any agreement as to national candidates, more conspicuously than the Democrats at the present time. They differ widely among themselves on Finance and Taxation. They are not at all agreed upon the principles involved in the late war, nor upon the line to be pursued in regard to them in the coming canvass. Mr. Vallandigham denounces the temporising temper which seems to control the party councils, and demands that what he has always held to be the constitutional ground shall be maintained by the Democratic party—that the right of the Government to make war on seceding States, the right to suspend the *habeas corpus*, the right to abolish slavery and the right to prescribe the terms and mode of restoration, shall not be conceded in any degree by the party.

"The Republicans in this canvass will have the full advantage of fighting under the flag of Gen. Grant. Every day makes it more certain that he will be the candidate of the Republican party; and we are very much mistaken in our construction of public sentiment if the conviction is not every day growing stronger, with considerate and reflecting men out of the Republican party as well as in it, that his accession to the Presidency offers the best, if not the only feasible solution of the troubles and complications of the political situation." The masses accept him as their leader in time of peace as well as in war, and will gather around him, confident of success. Impeachment, which is pretty sure to come, will furnish the democracy with little capital, while it will strengthen the hands and hearts of the Republicans to fight once more for the life and liberties of the nation.

A WIFE ABSCONDS WITH FORTY THOUSAND DOLLARS.—The wife of Rev. David Root (formerly Mrs. Hadley) whom he married a few months since, has left his bed and board, at Vineland, N. J., where they were residing, and taken with her $40,000 in government bonds of Mr. Root's. She left him almost destitute of ready money, and he is now in embarrassed circumstances, pecuniarily and otherwise. Mrs. R's son, Clement Hadley, was the party who embezzled a considerable sum of money from the Merchant's Union Express office, at Hartford, and whose crime was discovered about the time of Mr. Root's marriage with Mrs. Hadley.

WANTS HELP.—The American Colonization Society has asked Congress for one hundred thousand dollars a year to support a steamship line from these States to Liberia, and $100 to help each colored person wishing to emigrate in order to settle in that colony. It is stated that over six hundred of the negroes were sent to that place last year, and that since the beginning of this year 3,000 more have gone, or are about to set out, from several of the Southern States.

PRIZE FIGHTING PROHIBITED.—The Ohio Legislature has passed a bill which provides that all persons engaged as principals in any prize fight which shall take place in that State shall be liable, on conviction, to imprisonment in the penitentiary for a period of not less than one nor more than ten years, and that backers, seconds, umpires, reporters, &c. shall be liable to a fine of from $50 to $500, and to imprisonment from ten days to three months.

DECISION REVERSED.—The State of Nevada is so anxious to increase its population that a clause in one of its revenue acts lays a tax of $1 on every one who journeys out of it. W. H. Crandell, agent for a stage company at Carson City, lately refused to abide by that law, whereupon the Supreme Court of Nevada decided that the law was a valid one and should be obeyed. The Supreme Court at Washington has reversed that judgment.

WIFE RAFFLE.—A man named Thomas Doyle, of Buffalo, finding it impossible to get along with his wife, who is much younger than himself, has put her up in a raffle—with her consent—he says. The tickets state that the drawing will come off on Monday, and contain at the bottom the following:—"This woman is a good housekeeper, and is willing to stay with any one who may draw her."

"THE MASTERS ARE RIGHT.—The master masons of Springfield, Mass., want the privilege of taking apprentices and hiring such help as they best can, but the Bricklayers' and Plasterers Union of that city say they must not employ anybody but those connected with the Union. The master masons have held a meeting and resolved "to be dictated to no longer."

WHISKY DISTILLER SENTENCED.—John Delvin of Brooklyn, convicted of the triple crime of illicit distilling, selling whisky without a license, and removing spirits to other places than those designated by law, has been sentenced in the United States Circuit Court, Brooklyn, to pay a fine of $500 and be imprisoned two years in the Albany Penitentiary.

LAST STRING OF FISH.—William Finch, of Orange county, N. Y., was overcome by the cold while fishing, and fell down and died. Two companions had urged him to leave with them, but he refused to go until he had caught a mess of fish. When found, a week afterwards, he held a string of pickerel in his lifeless hand.

—In East Tennessee, at various places, where there are veins of copper, zinc and lead ore, it is said that excavations have been found that must have been made hundreds of years before that country was settled by the present white people.

—The Maryland Legislature has passed a bill fixing ten hours as a day's work in the cotton, woolen and other factories in the State.

ALL SORTS OF THINGS.

THE New York Legislature is considering a bill to prevent marriages between first cousins.

—Seventeen year locusts are coming this year—in Maryland.

—The weather in Maine is said to be admirable for those engaged in producing maple sugar.

—Gen. Grant, by order of the President, has detailed Gen. Halleck to succeed Gen. Hancock at New Orleans.

—We often speak of "false" pretences. Are there any *true* ones?

—The Boston and Albany Railroad Company has purchased $300,000 worth of real estate in Boston, and will soon build thereon.

—Boston is striving to get the Cunarders back to her wharves.

—The Cincinnati Police will not suffer Henry Barr to leap from the suspension bridge into the Ohio River.

—Four desperadoes, neither of them twenty-two years of age, were recently hung at Dale City, Utah, by a vigilance committee.

—Bart. Turner, sheriff at Helena, Ark., was shot through the body on Thursday, last week, while attempting to arrest a negro.

—It has now been ascertained that out of 150 persons aboard the steamship Magnolia, 80 were lost.

—The Abbee Flouring Mills, near Elk River, Minn., were recently destroyed by fire.

—Napoleon read the proof of his "Life of Cæsar" twenty-seven times. Has the book itself been read as many?

—Sixty Springfield rifles have been sent to the State Agricultural College for the use of the students.

—Rev. Dr. Chapin says a man living amid the activities of the nineteenth century is a condensed Methuselah.

—Lucius H. Tenney, the defaulting teller of the First National Bank of Greenfield, has been sentenced to five years in the State Prison.

—A Southern editor says that negroes do have the delirium tremens, the statement of the New York doctors to the contrary notwithstanding.

—A thief in a Broadway stage stole a valise from a fellow passenger, and was "set back" on discovering that it contained the skeleton of a baby.

—Strenuous efforts are being made by the friends of young Ketchum, the forger, to get him pardoned out of Sing Sing, and with good prospect of success.

—Judge Barrett, of Vermont, in granting a divorce recently, said:—"I don't think these parties ought to be yoked together any longer, any more than any other cattle."

—An "improved nursing apparatus" is advertised. We don't think the old way can be improved very much. There are some things that are complete at the beginning.

—One of the Kansas editors thus poetically calls upon emigrants to settle in that State:

"Ho! ho! ye emigrants, bound for 'The West!'
While ye seek for a home, seek for the best,
Where bright sunny Kansas invites you to come,
And plant on her prairies a true happy home."

—There are 15,000 photographs of soldiers in the dead letter office at Washington. They are to be preserved.

—Several stockholders engaged in snow-balling each other in Wall street Saturday afternoon, were arrested and taken to a station house.

—There are twenty branches of the Freedmen's Savings and Trust Company, and the amount deposited during the month of February was $182,000.

—An army of rats, driven out of the sewers by the flood, attacked a family in Toronto, and nearly ate a couple of children.

—Tom Thumb's driver drove him into the river at Fon du Lac, Wis., the other day, and nearly drowned the dwarf.

—John Devlin, sentenced to the Albany Penitentiary for a term of two years, is worth $600,000.

—Hon. H. B. Child, of Pittsfield, President of the Berkshire Medical College, and formerly Lieutenant-Governor of Massachusetts, died in Boston on Sunday, aged 84 years.

—They tell of flocks of ducks in Florida, miles in length and at least half a mile wide.

—The Second Adventists talk of building a Theological Seminary at Waterbury, Vt.

—Only 240,131 of the thirty-five million inhabitants of the United States have a sufficient income to pay a tax to the Government.

—A letter from Cork reports emigration on the increase, upwards of one thousand persons having left Queenstown for America during the last week in February.

—Abigail Coleman, of Preston, Ct., a lady eighty-five years of age, has a third set of teeth just appearing through the gums.

—A white female child was born in Jackson, Tennessee, last week, having two tongues. Pray, is not one tongue enough for a woman?

—The amusements of Louisville, Ky., consist principally of dog fights and taking the bankrupt act.

—A wealthy citizen of Chicago is about to erect four hundred houses in Hudson City, N. J., at an average cost of $10,000 each.

—An insurance agent in Troy, N. Y., has fled, leaving behind a considerable amount of forged paper. His father is trying to compromise the matter.

—Bills creating an Insurance Commissioner and repealing the Insurance Deposit law, passed both houses of the California legislature on Saturday.

—Although there is a general belief in official circles that Secretary Seward is about to retire from the Cabinet, yet the President says he has no intimation of it.

—The Southern Opinion, of Richmond, estimates that there are 140,000 white and 104,000 colored voters in Virginia, and predicts the defeat of the new Constitution.

—A movement is on foot to charter the Great Eastern steamship to parties who propose to convert her into a floating hotel, to be moored at some fashionable watering place during the coming season.

OUTRAGE.—On Tuesday last week a middle aged woman, named Mary Selden, once very handsome and the mistress of a noted sporting character in New Haven, Ct., was taken to a wood near that city and outraged by a party of ruffians, and then plied with liquor and left under a tree in the rain, stupified. She was found the next morning by mechanics going to work, insensible and in a very low condition.

EARTHQUAKES.—Violent earthquakes occurred at Porto Rico on March 10th and 7th, and at St. Thomas on March 15th. A great scarcity of provisions prevailed in the former Island, and the plan of making it a free port was universally advocated.

DEATH OF JUDGE WILMOT.—Hon. David Wilmot, author of the once-famous "Wilmot Proviso," and recently Judge of the Court of Claims at Washington, died on Monday the 16th inst., at his residence in Towanda, Pa., at the age of 54.

—England is enabled to keep up her high tax on potable whiskey by leaving whiskey used in manufacturing free, and the temptation to sell the latter for the former is done away with by requiring it to be made with a mixture of wood naptha.

—Partial returns from the election in Arkansas show a large falling off in the negro vote. The majority against the Constitution will be larger than anticipated, the whites voting almost unanimously against it.

—The Indian troubles in New Mexico have broken out afresh. The redskins infest the roads and depredate upon almost everything that falls in their way.

PALMER AND VICINITY.

JUS. PACIS.—P. P. Kellogg, of this village, has been appointed a Justice of the Peace.

SCHOOL MEETING.—A warrant is this week published, calling a school meeting in this village Monday evening, April 6th.

REMOVED.—The town safe was safely removed from Mr. Dimock's store to that of James B. Shaw, on Thursday, where the new Clerk and Treasurer will preside.

FIRE IN BELCHERTOWN.—The store of F. B. & E. S. Bridgman, of Belchertown, was destroyed by fire on Wednesday. The building was owned by Calvin Bridgman.

FREE LECTURE ON SPIRITUALISM.—A. E. Carpenter, agent of the Mass. Spiritual Association, will lecture in Thorndike School House Hall on Sunday, April 5th, at 10½ a. m., and 1½ p. m.

THE LATE TOWN MEETING.—The legislature has been petitioned to legalize the late town meeting. Meanwhile the new officers are acting, and a remonstrance to the legislature is being circulated.

INSURANCE.—A committee of the National Board of Underwriters visited Palmer, Monson, Wales and vicinity, on Wednesday, for the purpose of examining property and equalizing insurance rates.

SOME KNITTING.—Mrs. Abigail Jones, of Worcester, Vt., mother of Mrs. Oramel S. Bourns, of Palmer, 77 years of age, knit 54 pairs of stockings and 52 pairs of mittens during the past year, besides making rugs, &c.

BROKE HER ANKLE.—The wife of John Barber, of Thorndike, was thrown from a wagon while driving through this village on Wednesday, fracturing one ankle and spraining the other. Doctor Holbrook attended her.

TWICE SWORN.—The officers elected at the recent town meeting were sworn into office by the old clerk, when it was decided that he had no authority to swear them, and they were sworn again by a justice. If they were not legally elected they were thoroughly sworn.

AUCTIONS.—A lively auction has been going on for several evenings in Nassowanno block. Mr. George H. Newton, of Monson, oiling the goods with "touching words," and hammering them off to lucky bidders. Mr. Ward will also have an auction at his house this afternoon.

SUGARING.—It is a good place to find maple sugar on the N. L. N. R. R. above Amherst, and parties are known to patronize that route for the enjoyment the sugar parties afford. No matter how cross people are who start off with conductor Williams in the morning, they come home sweetened clear through.

STATE ALMSHOUSE.—Dr. Joseph D. Nichols, for the past eight years physician at the Monson State Almshouse, has resigned, to become physician of the State almshouse and insane hospital at Tewksbury. Dr. Wakefield, the newly-appointed superintendent of the Primary School and Almshouse, has been at the institution this week looking over the field of his future labors, on which he will enter next Wednesday.

MONSON.—"Winter still lingering in the lap of spring" was plainly to be seen last Tuesday, as a boy was throwing a snowball with one hand and firmly holding on to a grasshopper, he had just caught, with the other.—Sanford Fuller has purchased a stall in Faneuil Hall Market, Boston, and will remove thither as soon as he can close up the business of the late firm.—Elmer Colton met with a serious accident last Tuesday, while chopping. His axe glanced and gave him an ugly wound in the knee, which will probably confine him to the house for weeks.—Wm. N. Flynt is erecting a building 70 by 30, at Granite station, for the better accommodation of workmen, who would otherwise be obliged to travel quite a distance to their labor. X.

FRIDAY'S STORM.—A furious line storm of snow and wind spoiled our paragraph in favor of the season last week. It commenced Friday night and continued till late Saturday night, the snow drifting worse than at any time the past winter.—Railroads were seriously blocked, the New London so much that no train came up till Sunday afternoon. The morning express train from Boston did not reach here till 3 p. m., and trains from New York were also delayed. The warm sun has, however, dissipated the snow, till there is little left to remind us of the storm. The traveling is improving, though by no means decent, on most of the roads out of the village.

PAUPER BUSINESS.—The pauper business of Palmer is getting to be quite extensive, aside from its poor farm duties. It cost the town $100 to send tramps to the State almshouse last year, the selectmen charging a shilling per head for giving them permits. This is cheap enough, but when we consider that these tramps only stay at the almshouse over night, or over Sunday, making the institution a sort of hotel in which to rest and recuperate, is it doing justice to the State to send them there? They are mostly healthy, able-bodied men, who have traveled from New York or Boston without asking for help till they get here, and would pass along were there no State almshouse here. One of these tramps was recently discovered to belong to a neighboring town, having a family and abundant means of support. He was on his way to Boston, and saved his hotel fare by getting a permit of the Palmer selectmen to stop at the almshouse. The State almshouse is designed for the needy poor, and town authorities should use proper discrimination in giving permits. The price of a shilling per head may not operate as an inducement to send every tramp who applies to the almshouse, but it sometimes amounts to two and three dollars a day. To prevent any misconception in the matter the town should pay the overseers of the poor an ample salary, and abrogate the fee business entirely.

Persons and Politics.

Radical Southern men are getting up a Wade and Wilson presidential ticket.

The election in Connecticut occurs on Monday, April 6th.

The Richmond Whig claims Virginia for the Conservatives by more than 30,000.

It will cost over $2,000,000 to run the new government of Alabama one year.

Gen. Banks is the choice of the Irish Republican Association of Washington for Vice President on the Grant ticket.

A Democratic paper in Lebanon, Illinois, is edited by a full blooded negro named Dr. Bull.

In Smith & Guild's law office, in Nashville, a few days since, the Hon. M. M. Brien and Oscar F. Noell disputed, and the latter shot at the Judge, but missed him; Brien used his cane freely over Noel.

Senator Wilson of Massachusetts has received an urgent request from six colored pastors of churches in Richmond, to address their congregations on the subject of temperance, which he has promised to do at an early day.

Gen. Gillem removed a lately appointed sheriff of one of the counties of Mississippi for attending a negro party and dancing with the negro belles.

A Republican county convention in Illinois has resolved "that we do not desire a President whose mouth, like the Mississippi River, is always open."

Jay Cooke has written another letter on the national finances. He says it is only necessary, in order to resume specie payments, to complete the funding of the seven-thirties and fix the day for resumption.

Chief Justice Chase says "he would rather go down to posterity as a pure and upright Judge, than as President of the United States."

The Washington correspondent of a Cincinnati paper credits Thaddeus Stevens as having said in the presence of the other impeachment managers that he "always considered Chase a d—d political trickster."

A DOMESTIC WIFE.—Mrs. Ben. Wade, who is looked upon by some as "the future mistress of the White House," affects the knitting of her husband's stockings and has no ambition to shine in the fashionable circles. She is down on receptions in toto, lugging dances and the Germans in par-particular.

ONLY $100,000 ASKED FOR A BROKEN HEART.—The Providence Press understands that a breach of promise case is soon to come before the courts, in which one of the prominent manufacturers in Providence plays an important part. The aggrieved fair one refuses to be comforted short of $100,000.

ONLY ONE APPLICATION.—Senator Wade has received one personal application only for appointment to office, and that was made by a colored person, who was desirous of becoming Chief Cook of the Kitchen Department at the White House, if Mr. Wade should relieve President Johnson.

DEATH OF A SURVIVOR OF THE LEXINGTON DISASTER.—Capt. Charles Hillard, who, it will be remembered, was the only survivor of one hundred and twenty-one passengers who embarked on the steamer Lexington on the 13th of January, 1840, died at Norwich, Ct., Saturday last.

EARLY GRASSHOPPERS.—The Galveston Civilian of the 10th inst., says the grasshoppers have already appeared in myriads in that region and commenced operations on tender garden vegetables. They are so thick on the ground that they can be scooped up by the quart.

TROUBLE BREWING.—Trouble is anticipated in certain quarters from the fact that Stanton has issued certain orders as Secretary of War. It is also stated that Adjutant General Thomas has prepared an order which he will sign and issue as Secretary of War.

A FEARFUL NIGHT.—Passengers via Long Island Sound represent the gale on Friday night as terrific, and much solicitude was felt by them for their safety. The snow was so thick that hardly a boat's length could be seen ahead, and the sea was very high.

EATEN BY SHARKS.—Three men were swallowed by sharks on the little island of Cabras, and near to Porto Rico recently.—The fishermen report the sharks to be unusually daring and ferocious. In many instances they have tried to upset their boats.

GOOD OLD AGE.—Week before last, three females died in Needham, each having reached the age of 83 years. Year before last a woman died in that town at the age of ninety, whose mother lived to the age of one hundred and one years.

LIFE SENTENCE.—The trial of the two men who were charged with the murder of old Mr. Bradley, the jeweler at Hartford, Ct., has resulted in a verdict of guilty of manslaughter. Both were sentenced to imprisonment during life.

IMPEACHMENT.—The Peruvian Minister remarked in Washington last week—"Impeachment is a novelty with you here in the United States; but when you have tried it as often as we have in our country, you will not like it so well."

BROKEN UP.—An organized gang of thieves in Colorado has recently been broken up by the Sheriff of Los Ammes County, who captured several of the band and recovered 2,700 head of cattle which they had stolen.

ONE RESULT.—The impeachment of the President has had one result already for which it is said he is devoutly thankful. It has scattered the crowd of applicants for office which usually hang around the White House.

COSTLY CRASH.—A wall of the glass house in New Bedford, 60 feet in length and 30 feet high, was so weakened by the gale on Saturday that it fell in doing about $3000 damage.

FIRE AT LEYDEN.—About eight o'clock, Wednesday night, a very destructive fire broke out in the barn belonging to Lewis Sheldon, and burned rapidly till the barn, house, 300 sheep, one horse, and some other property in the buildings were consumed; loss $10,000, insured for $5000. The fire is believed to have been the work of an incendiary.

INFAMOUS CRIME.—A warrant has been issued for the arrest of a man employed at the Steamboat Dock, New Haven, Ct., on a charge of outraging a little girl seven years old, at the house of whose parents the wretch boarded. The case is represented by the family physician as an aggravated one.

METALIC BUTTON HOLES.—The latest improvement in paper collars is the introduction of metal-edged button-holes, which it is claimed by the inventor, will endure far more wear than the unprotected button-holes, and thus make the collar more serviceable.

TERRIBLE ACCIDENT.—At Exeter, N. H., on the evening of the 20th inst., an employee in Smith & Folsom's steam saw-mill, was accidentally caught by a circular saw and killed. He was fearfully mangled. He was married only the night before.

ROBBED.—The safe of the Treasurer of Howard County, Iowa, was broken open Sunday night and from $10,000 to $15,000 taken.

FROM lofty themes, from thoughts that soared on high,
And opened wond'rous scenes above the sky;
My muse descend, indulge my fond desire
With thoughts more practical my soul inspire,
And first and brightest on the scroll of fame,
Let me record Herrick Allen's Gold Medal Saleratus' name.

After a fair trial according to directions, no good housekeeper will fail to continue its use. It is beyond all doubt far superior to the best soda or other saleratus.

Of all diseases, that for the few years past, have inspired every one with dread, perhaps none is regarded with more terror than diptheria. American Life Drops are warranted a sure cure for this complaint, as also for Coughs, Colds, and all throat troubles. E. E. TOWNE, Agent, Monson, Mass.

No wonder so many worthless medicines are advertised for the cure of various diseases, and when tried "found wanting," that the invalid loses all faith in specifics. We have yet to learn, however, of the first failure of Wistar's Balsam of Wild Cherry to cure coughs, colds, and pulmonary disease.

RADICAL Restoration.—Its effects are permanent. It not only restores the color of the hair, but the quantity and natural glossiness. This is said by every one using Mrs. S. A. ALLEN'S IMPROVED *(new style)* HAIR RESTORER or DRESSING, *(in one bottle)*. Every Druggist sells it. Price One Dollar.

[From the Rochester (N. Y.), Express, July 31, 1867.]

A Remarkable Strawberry—The Golden Queen.—Mr. J. B. CLINE, No. 8 Howell street—an extensive grower and propagator of fruits—sent us yesterday (July 22) a quart of the Golden Queen Strawberry, which is probably the last of the present season. This fruit is quite well known for its superior flavor, and we need only speak now of its other advantages—in lateness of ripening and productiveness. As it comes after most of the other berries are dried up and out of bearing, it uniformly brings a higher price, especially where its excellence has been proved. Its large size also makes it an attractive market berry, and its productiveness a most profitable variety for market. The Golden Queen has sold in this market for from 35 to 50 cents per quart; and of its productiveness, a circular issued by Mr. Cline, will be ample testimony.

Send a three-cent stamp and get one of Mr. Cline's circulars and price lists of Strawberry Plants, Grapes, Fruit and Ornamental Trees; also showing a printed cut of the Ontario Grape—single bunches weighing nearly two pounds—very juicy and sweet.

Address, J. B. CLINE,
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Extract of Rye.—A pure, simple Extract of Rye, used as a beverage, or for medicinal purposes, is the best thing to be had. For sale by C. A. RICARDS & CO., 99 Washington street, Boston, largest retail Wine and Spirit House in America.

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Caution to Females in Delicate Health.—DR. DOW, Physician and Surgeon, No. 7 Endicott street, Boston, is consulted daily for all diseases incident to the female system: Prolapsus Uteri or Fluor Albus, Suppression and other menstrual derangements, are all treated on new pathological principles, and speedy relief guaranteed in a very few days. So invariably certain is this new mode of treatment, that most obstinate complaints yield under it, and the afflicted person soon rejoices in perfect health.

DR. DOW has, no doubt, had greater experience in the cure of diseases of women than any other physician in Boston.

Boarding accommodations for patients who may wish to stay in Boston a few days under his treatment.

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N. B.—All letters must contain one dollar, or they will not be answered.

Office hours from 8 A. M. to 9 P. M.
Boston, Sept. 1, 1867. 1y

Errors of Youth.—A gentleman who suffered for years from Nervous Debility, Premature Decay, and all the effects of youthful indiscretion, will, for the sake of suffering humanity, send free, to all who need it, the recipe and directions for making the simple remedy by which he was cured. Sufferers wishing to profit by the advertiser's experience, can do so by addressing, in perfect confidence, JOHN B. OGDEN,
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In West Stafford, Ct., 25th, by Rev. Ira Pettibone, EATON SQUIER of Monson, and LAURA THRESHER of West Stafford. No cards.

DIED.

In Monson, 21st, EDWARD C. RICKETT, 29.
In North Wilbraham, 21st, ELVIRA M. 24, wife of James K. Butler.
In Ware, 22d, RODNEY C. CARYL, 60; 22d, LUCIUS TWISS, 39.
In Stafford, Conn., 21st, MARIE R. POTTER, 19.
In Belchertown, 9th, DOLLY ANN, 31, wife of Henry Peeso; 11th, SARAH, 78, wife of John W. Peeso; 12th, JOHN W. PEESO, 75—all members of one family.

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Palmer, March 28, 1868. tf

TO THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Of the County of Hampden: The inhabitants of the town of Brimfield, by Henry F. Brown, Samuel Parker and Benjamin B. Fenton, a committee of said town thereto duly authorized, and the inhabitants of the town of Palmer, by Parker W. Webster, John E. Crane and William W. Cross, the selectmen of said town, thereto duly authorized, respectfully represent that the highway from near the house of Isaac King, in said Palmer, to the line of the Western Railroad, in Brimfield, is inconvenient and dangerous (especially that part of it known as "King's Bridge") to public travel. They therefore request your Board to view said highway and bridge, and make such alterations in the same as you shall find the convenience and safety of the public require.

The inhabitants of the town of Brimfield, by
HENRY F. BROWN,
SAMUEL PARKER.

The inhabitants of the town of Palmer, by
PARKER W. WEBSTER,
J. E. CRANE,
W. W. CROSS.

March 24th, 1868.

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. HAMPDEN SS.: At a meeting of the County Commissioners, holden in Springfield, within and for said county, on the 24th day of March, in the year of our Lord 1868. And now upon the petition aforesaid, the County Commissioners, deeming a view of the premises expedient and proper, give notice that they will meet for the purpose of said view, at the dwelling-house of Isaac King, in Palmer, on Tuesday, the twenty-eight day of April next, at one o'clock, P. M.; and it is ordered by the County Commissioners that a copy of said petition be served by the Sheriff of said county or his Deputy, upon the Clerks of the towns of Palmer and Brimfield, in said county, thirty days at least before the said twenty-eighth day of April, and that all other persons and corporations interested therein be notified, by publishing a copy of said petition and this order thereon, once a week, in the Palmer Journal, a public newspaper printed in said county, three weeks successively, the last publication to be fourteen days at least before the time of said view. And it is further ordered by the Commissioners, that copies of said petition, or abstracts containing the substance thereof and this order, be posted up by said Sheriff or Deputy, in two public places in the towns of Palmer and Brimfield, fourteen days before said twenty-eighth day of April, and that notice be given in manner aforesaid to all persons and corporations interested, that the County Commissioners deem a view of the premises expedient and proper, and that a view of the same will be taken by them at the time and place aforesaid.

GEO. B. MORRIS, Clerk.

True copy of the petition and order of the County Commissioners thereon. Attest,
GEO. B. MORRIS, Clerk.
mr28 3w

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. HAMPDEN SS.: To the inhabitants of School District No. 3, in the town of Palmer, qualified to vote in town affairs, you are hereby notified and warned to meet at the School House in the Depot Village, in said District, on Monday, the sixth day of April next, at 7 o'clock, P. M., to act on the following articles, viz:

Art. 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.
Art. 2. To choose all district officers for the year ensuing.
Art. 3. To see if the district will vote to raise any money to reduce the debts of the district.
Art. 4. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the expenses of the district for the ensuing year.
Art. 5. To see if the district will vote to repair their blackboards and raise money to repair the same.
Art. 6. To hear reports of committees and act thereon.
Art. 7. To choose committees and give them instructions.

Given under my hand this twenty-sixth day of March, A. D. 1868,
GEORGE M. STACY,
m28 3w Clerk of School District No. 3.

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Springfield, Mass., March 28, 1868. 3w

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Belchertown, March 28th, 1868. 3w*

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—Mrs. Dix, wife of our Minister at Paris, holds receptions every Saturday evening, and dancing goes on till twelve, when punctually with the striking of the clock the music ceases as the Sabbath dawns.

—Every man has in his own life follies enough—in his mind, trouble enough—without being curious after the affairs of others.

—A man's character is frequently treated like a grate—blackened all over first to come out the brighter afterwards.

—The world estimates men by their success in life, and by general consent success is an evidence of superiority.

—If you wish for care, perplexity and misery, be selfish in all things. This is the short road to trouble.

—He who will not reason is a bigot; he who cannot, is a fool: and he who dares not is a slave.

—We suffer more from anger and grief, than the very things for which we anger and grieve.

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"Agreed," said the man, "'tis an easy way of earning ten dollars."

"Well, come to me to-morrow, and say you have done it and the money is yours."

The time passed on, midnight came. The man went to the graveyard. It was a night of pitchy darkness. As he entered the graveyard not a sound was heard; all was as death. Then the gentleman's words, "alone with God," came over him with a wonderful power. The thought of the wickedness he had committed, and what he had come there to do, darted through his mind like a flash of lightning. He trembled as he fell on his knees, and instead of the dreadful oaths he came there to utter, the earnest cry went up, God be merciful to me a sinner!

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The darkey ceased; the tears from his eyes stood on his black cheek bone. The sun's hot rays fell on his head, and a hearty wish that he might 'go dead' was the last we heard him groan.

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And oft its sweet, bewitching ray
Seems liquid blue, or dark as night.

But far beyond these beauteous eyes
Of black, or grey, or blue—
Ah, far beyond all these I prize
Sweet eyes of soft brown hue.

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Oh! may those smiling eyes ne'er frown,
But beam with love-glance bright.

For those "bonnie brown eyes" to me are dear.
They have filled my heart with love,
And no other eyes can ever cheer,
Or my constancy e'er move.

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He was a tall, rugged young fellow, with dark, sparkling eyes, and a forehead embrowned with the suns and showers of twenty years of honest toil.

"She knows well enough that I love her," soliloquized Royal, as he walked along the fragrant solitude of the quiet country lane. "Perhaps she'll think this letter a little abrupt, but then she's perfectly aware what a rough and tumble sort of a fellow I am."

The letter aforementioned did partake slightly of the elements of abruptness, nor were Royal's apprehensions altogether groundless. Thus it read:—

"MY DEAR DORCAS—Will you marry me? Yes, or no. ROYAL WARNER."

"For there's no use in beating about the bush," thought honest Royal. "Seven words are as good as seventy."

As Dorcas Brown, standing in the milking room, peeped down in the brown stone jar to see how much cream she had amassed, something like a tiny white bird fluttered down on the floor beside her.

"Good gracious!" said Dorcas with a little start, "what's that? and where did it come from?"

The rosy crimson swept over her face as she read the few brief words.

"It's just like Royal!" she laughed to herself. "Yes, or no? Well—I think—yes!"

So Miss Dorcas crept up-stairs to her room, and without ever stopping to pull the sleeves down over her plump arms, wrote:

"MY DEAR ROYAL—Yes.
DORCAS BROWN."

"I think that is decided enough for him," said Dorcas. "And how shall I ever get it to him without my father's knowledge? He wants me to become Mrs. Joe Trimmer." She hesitated a moment, and then leaned out of the window.

In the sunshine on the doorstep sat Tommy Ives, a poor half-witted fellow, who ran errands, did odd jobs, and made himself generally useful in Farmer Brown's establishment—a man in years, but a child in mind.

"Tommy!" whispered Dorcas softly.

"Yes, Miss Dorcas," said the poor fellow starting suddenly from his doze.

"I want you to take this note to Mr. Warner from me. And, Tommy—"

"Yes, Miss Dorcas."

"Be sure and don't let my father see it. Remember that, Tommy."

Tommy promised, and started on his mission, but, meeting Farmer Brown in the keeping room, he acted so sheepish that the farmer cross-examined him severely. After the old man had left, Tommy looked for his note, and at last uttered a purring self-gratulation as he drew a little billet out from the table drawer.

"I don't exactly mind putting it there, but I s'pose I must ha' done so. Now. Mr. Royal shall have it quicker."

And Tommy sped away, under the sheltering shadow of the elm tree that fringed the lawn.

"For me, Tommy?"

"Yes, for you, Mr. Royal. Miss Dorcas says, 'Take it to Mr. Warner for me. And don't let father see it on no account!' So I didn't let him see it!"

He watched Tommy edging along quickly by the roadside before he opened the folded billet.

It was utterly and entirely blank, but scarcely blanker than Royal Warner's face as he turned the sheet this way and that.—The next moment the hot, angry scarlet suffused his face as he bit his lips almost cruelly.

"The insult was gratuitous," he muttered under his breath. "She need not have added that to the burden of mortification. Well, the dream is over; I've been a fool, and I'm glad I know it."

He crumpled the sheet of unwritten paper in his hand, and flung it among the silver-white daisies in the pasture field where he was standing.

"He will come to see me to-night," said Dorcas Brown to herself, as she sat in the doorway dreaming over a bit of delicate needlework, and looking very enchanting in a blue muslin dress, and blue ribbon mingling with her bright profusion of curls—"he will surely come to-night. I think he ought to have come last night! Why, Tommy, what's the trouble?"

"He's gone!" faltered Tommy.

"Who?"

"He—Mr. Royal!"

"Gone? Oh, well, don't cry—he'll be back again soon."

"No; he has gone to New York, and he's never coming back no more! He told me so himself."

The soft roses died out of Dorcas' cheeks.

"Tommy, are you sure that you are not mistaken?"

"Yes, I'm sure. I saw his trunks put on the stage myself. He's gone, and he's never coming back no more."

"Tommy!" exclaimed Dorcas, springing to her feet, "did you give him that letter?"

"Yes, and he gave me a dollar, and said I was a good fellow," lamented Tommy piteously.

Dorcas stood a moment or two, absently watching the red stain of the sunset glowing at the western horizon; then she turned and went in—went into a world that had changed, and a life that had grown dark! Alas, poor, proud little Dorcas!

"And so they moved away!"

Royal Warner was more disappointed than he cared to have become visible, as he leaned over the garden gate, no longer the stripling farmer, but a tall, dignified member of Congress from one of our Western States.

"O, yes, two good years ago. Gone to Watson's Corner—furniture sold at public auction."

Royal Warner hesitated a moment.

"I—I am very foolish, I suppose, but I would like to own something that used to belong to my old friends. Do you know of any article that—"

"Oh!" interrupted Squire Daly, good humoredly, "you're welcome to Webster's Dictionary wife bought at the sale. Hosea has brought a later edition home from college and the old one ain't no account anyhow. I'll fetch it."

An old battered volume with yellow leaves and dog-eared corners, there was certainly very little value to the book; but Royal Warner took it reverently, and carried it to his rooms at the village hotel as tenderly as if it had been the Koran itself, and he a faithful disciple of Mahomet.

He sat down by the window, and turned the leaves carelessly over, thinking of Dorcas Brown's violet grey orbs and long eyelashes.

"Poor Dorcas," he mused, "I wonder if she ever—"

He paused abruptly—between the yellow time-stained leaves before him lay a small billet directed to himself—directed in Dorcas' well known hand-writing. Mechanically he broke the seal and read the message that had been so long on its way:

"MY DEAR ROYAL—Yes.
DORCAS BROWN."

There was no date—but he knew when it had been written—he knew as if by instinct the whole sad story.

"Five years!" he murmured, pressing both hands to his fevered forehead.

"Five long weary years! O, my poor darling girl!"

One moment he sat there, arranging his scattered thoughts, and planning his future, while within his breast his glad heart bounded with strange buoyancy; and then he went down stairs to inquire at what time the evening stage went out to Watson's Corners.

She recognized him at once—her heart seemed to stand still in her bosom for a minute, but the next she came forward and greeted him as of old, with marvellous self-command.

"Dorcas," he said, drawing the folded billet from his pocket, and laying it in her hand, "I've just received this note."

She blushed vividly as she recognized the direction.

"It was sent five years ago this very summer."

"I know it Dorcas, but I never saw it till this afternoon."

And he told her of the blank sheet that had so turned the current of his existence.

"Of course it was poor Tommy's fault, but how was I to imagine that? I only supposed that you scorned my humble offer, and, dearest, it cut me to the heart. Is it too late for me to renew my suit?"

"Is it too late for me to return the original answer?" said Dorcas, smiling and blushing as she handed him the note.

"Well," said Farmer Brown, when he heard of his daughter's engagement, "may be the girl is right after all. It is better to be a member o' Congress' wife than plain Mrs. Joe Trimmer."

But when Dorcas had first said "Yes," her accepted suitor could have only made her "plain Mrs. Royal Warner."

LINCOLN AS A LAWYER.

As a lawyer, Lincoln was distinguished in real estate business, not in criminal business. He wanted time to think. Lincoln hadn't the flexibility, the facile dexterity, and the intellectual unscrupulousness for the peculiar emergencies of a criminal case. Besides, he needed to see that he was on the right side. Now and then, when some poor man needed a defence, and couldn't pay for it, especially if there was a probability of his innocence, Lincoln would take the case; and, by sheer benevolent sincerity, he would make a mighty impression upon the jury. He had some capital qualities for a lawyer. We had a saying at the bar that "when Abe Lincoln had stated a case it was more than half argued." He was wonderfully clear, simple, logical. His mental qualities had been moulded by Euclid. He didn't read many, but much. He wasn't likely to be thrown off his guard by a tricky antagonist. He had wit, common-sense, a natural skill in controversy. Then he had that rare gift, the gift of keeping cool. I don't know anywhere a man more difficult to encounter than he was; and this, I think, Douglass came to think—Douglass, reputed the ablest off-hand debater in America. Lincoln might have made more money; but he discouraged litigation, and often told clients that they were in the wrong, and urged them to go home and settle with their opponents without resorting to the law.—*Independent.*

THE CLIMAX OF DARING IN A BANK ROBBERY.—The particulars of the recent robbery of the Russelville (Ky.) Bank are thus furnished by the Nashville Banner:—At about two o'clock P. M., while the cashier, clerk, and a casual visitor were in the bank room, two men rode up, hitched their horses and entered. One of them, who had been in repeatedly before, on some errand, offered a $50 bill to be changed, and while the cashier was examining it to determine whether it was good, the villain put a pistol to his head and ordered him to surrender. The cashier turned suddenly away, and made for a back door, through which to escape and give the alarm. He was, however, intercepted and fired on, and knocked down; yet he contrived to escape and give the alarm. In the meantime two of the robbers searched the bank, while two others sat in front of it, on horseback, armed with Spencer rifles and pistols, firing on every man who approached the bank. But the neighbors being finally aroused, and beginning to fire on the sentinels, they became alarmed, and called to their associates in the bank, who came out, bringing saddle-bags crammed with specie and greenbacks, mounted their horses, and hastily made off, followed speedily by forty citizens, mounted and armed. But the robbers being superbly mounted and perfectly armed, escaped.

BOOKS.—Give us a house furnished with books rather than a gorgeous array of furniture beyond the wants of the inmates. Both if you can, but books at any rate. Think of the mental torture you must undergo to spend several days in a friend's house and hunger for something to read, while you are treading on costly carpets and sitting down on luxurious chairs, and sleeping upon down, as if one were bribing your body for the sake of cheating your mind. Books are the windows through which the soul looks out. A house without books is like a room without windows. A book is good company; it is full of conversation without loquacity. It talks to you, not through the ear, but in another, and oftentimes, more desirable way.

A LOCK OF HAIR.—Hair is at once the most delicate and lasting of our materials, and survives us like love. It is so light, so gentle, so escaping from the idea of death, that with a lock of hair belonging to a child or friend, we may almost look up to heaven and compare notes with the angelic nature, may almost say: "I have a piece of thee here, not unworthy of thy being now."—*Leigh Hunt.*

SIGNS.—If you drop the dish-cloth on the floor, it is a sign you'll have to pick it up again.—If you drop a fork and it sticks into the floor, it is a sign that it is a good fork.

AN UNEQUAL ARRANGEMENT.—Two young Irishmen, wishing to live cheaply, and to divide their expenses agreed the one to board and the other to lodge.

—Good resolutions are like fainting ladies—they want to be carried out.

—Marriage without means is like a horse without his beans.

ANGLING FOR A DOG.

Brick Pomeroy tells the following story:

Another time we were travelling on ground we had no right to tramp over. The only excuse was like that of military necessity:. it was better fishing through the farms, where the trout had been preserved, than in the open lots, where all could fish. It was early in the morning. We had risen at three, ridden ten miles, struck the creek as the trout were ready for breakfast. Looking carefully for a sheltered place to hitch our horses, we slyly crept on behind fences, etc. till we reached the part of the stream not generally fished in. A farm-house stood a quarter of a mile distant. We saw the morning smoke curling lightly from a stove-pipe; and we saw a man and two boys come out to do chores, and two women busy about the door. We also noticed a ferocious bull dog wandering about the yard.

If ever we fished close it was then. Not a whisper to disturb the birds or the owners of the land. We crawled through the grass, dodged behind clumps of alders, and lifted large speckled beauties out of the water till our basket was full. This was the time to have gone; but the trout were so large, and bit so readily that we could not withstand the temptation, so we decided to string and hide what we had, and take another basket full. So at it we went. No sooner would the hook touch the water than we had a trout. We forgot the house, the man, the boys, and the dog.

Suddenly there was a rushing through an oat-field, as if a mad bull was coming! We looked toward the house and saw the farmer and his boys on a fence, the women in the door, and the bull dog bounding toward us. We saw it all—we had been discovered. The well-trained dog had been sent to hunt us out, and as the matter appeared, it was safe to bet he was doing that thing right lively.

To out-run a dog was not to be thought of. There was no time to lose. He cleared a fence and came for us just as we reached a tree, and by great activity took a front seat on a limb above his reach.

Here was a precious go! a vicious bull dog under the tree, and a farmer and two big boys ready to come down on our works. It was a fight, foot-race, or fangs!

The farmer yelled to his dog—"Watch him Tige!"

Tige proposed to do that little thing, and keeping his eyes on us, seated himself under the tree.

Then spoke this ugly farmer man—"Just hold on thar stranger, till we get our breakfast; then we'll come and see you. If you are in a hurry, however, you can go now. Watch him Tige!"

We surmised trouble—quite much; for twice had that bold man of bull dogs and agriculture elegantly wollopped innocent troutists for being seen on his suburban premises. His reputation as a peace man was not good, and there arose a large heart toward our throat.

Time is the essence of contracts, and the saving ordinance of those in trouble. We had a stout line in our coat-pocket, and a large hook, intended for rock bass, if we failed to take trout; and, as good luck would have it, we had a nice sandwich and a piece of boiled corned beef in our other pocket.

We called the dog pet names, but he wasn't on it! Then we tried to move down—when he'd move up. At last we trebled our bass line, fastened the great limerick to it, baited it with the corned beef, tied the end of the line to a limb, and angled for dog!

Tige was in appetite. He smelt of the beef; it was very nice. He swallowed it, and sat still with his eyes on us for more, but with no friendly look beaming from his countenance. Not any!

Then we pulled gently on the line—it was fast! Tige yanked and pulled, but 't was no use! The attention of the canine was diverted from us. His business was being done by another *line!*

We quickly slid down the tree—coming near blistering our back in doing it—seized the basket and pole, and straightway went thence somewhat lively.

We found our string of fish, and reached the buggy and a commanding spot in the road in time to see the sturdy yeoman move forth.

We saw him and his cohorts, male and female, move slowly, as if in no haste; we saw them look up the tree; we saw an anxious group engaged about the dog. We came quickly home, and kindly left the bass line and hook to the farmer.

—At a prayer meeting in Washington on the evening after the assassination of the President, a colored man, praying for vengeance on the murderers, said:

"Now Lord, gib it to 'em right smart, and don't be so merciful as you generally am!"

—At a parish examination, a clergyman asked a charity boy if he had ever been baptised. "No, sir," was the reply, "not as I know of; but I've been *marinated.*"

—It does not follow that two persons are fit to marry because both are good. Milk is good and so is mustard, but they are not good for each other.

Original.

That Leaf-Covered Valley.

PARODICAL.—BY JOHN E.

How dear to my heart are the thoughts of my childhood,
When sweet meditation brings old sports to view,
The rambling at will over hills—through the wild-wood,
And many dear spots that my infancy knew;
The long, winding valley, the brook running through it,
The edge covered o'er with mosses and flowers—
That much favored spot, (how memory clings to it),
Where halted, when nutting, we chatted for hours.

That leaf-covered valley I quick would revisit,
For often, in Autumn, when searching we strayed,
We found 'neath the trees a pleasure exquisite,
In rhyming and gath'ring the chestnuts displayed;
How quick I perceived them, with eyes that were starling,
And soon 'neath the bush to the treasure I got,
Then covered with briars, my hands fairly smarting,
As, grasping the burr, I arose from the spot.

How nice from the brown, prickly burrs to relieve them,
As, placed on the fence, they're removed by a blow—
Though offered bright nuggets I would not receive them,
In change for the fruit with its ripe, healthy glow.
And now, during autumn when thinking, I rally—
And a tear of bright joy wells up at the thought—
When fancy revisits that leaf-covered valley,
And again I recline in that favored spot.

Springfield, Mass., March, 1868.

LIFE WASTED.

Valuable lives are often thrown away—lost, through ignorance of some of the most simple truths in nature, or errors of judgment in matters where error becomes a crime. Some of the best and wisest and greatest men of our race have perished from the world in consequence of what might be considered a carelessness, a recklessness, or an ignorance, which is amazing, as found in minds like theirs. The immediate cause of Lord Bacon's death was sleeping in a damp bed. Any old woman, who "didn't know B from a bull's foot," would have had more sense than that. Yet it was the mistake of the greatest mind of his age and generation. Rachel, the greatest tragic actress of her time, took a cold which carried her to her grave, by riding from New York to Boston in a car which was not sufficiently warmed, on a bitter cold winter's night, immediately after a performance which had heated up her whole system, far beyond its natural standard. The American theologian, Addison Alexandra, for whom it is claimed that he was the best Bible scholar living, and that he had powers of mind not equalled in his day, died in the very prime of life, because, "having a feeling almost bordering on contempt for physicians," he allowed his mortal malady to prey upon him secretly; and the day he died he thought he was going to get well. Because he knew nothing about disease, he concluded, with all his resplendent intellect, that men who had made it a life-long study, knew nothing about it. The magnificent deduction cost him his life.

A ROMANCE IN REAL LIFE.—Some two years since there arrived in Illinois, from Switzerland, a young man of goodly appearance and fair educational acquirements. So well was he pleased with his new home that he soon reported to his friends across the water the many advantages that an honest, industrious immigrant found here. A young lady in Switzerland—an entire stranger to him—learning from a lady friend of his happy situation in America, wrote to him through the friend that she would like to visit his adopted home, and along with the letter she forwarded her photograph. He was pleased with the picture—the features were fair to look upon, and the letter indicated a well educated mind, so he sent her his photograph. Thus commenced a correspondence that in a few months attracted her across the ocean to meet the man she had learned to love, though had never seen. With a friend she arrived the last of October, when her unknown lover met her as she alighted from the cars—inquiring, like one of old, if she were his Katherine—and there he first saw and first kissed her as his affianced. Within two days the couple, thus strangely and romantically brought together, were married, both seemingly as happy as if there had been a five years' courtship.

—As a canal boat was passing under a bridge the captain gave the usual warning. "Look out!" when a little Frenchman, popping his head out of the window, received a severe thump. He drew it back in a great pet, and exclaimed: "Dese Americans are queer people. Dey say, "Look out," when dey mean "Look in!"

—Success in life is very apt to make us forget the time when we "wasn't much." It is just so with a frog on a jump; he can't remember when he was a tadpole—but other folks can.

—The Gloucester Telegraph suggests that the reason why so many persons hesitate about laying up treasures in heaven, is, that they are in doubt about getting there themselves.

—Dan Rice announces himself a candidate for President, and the New York World irreverently says he is used to swinging round the circle.

—The Ottomans drink a great deal of tea and coffee, smoke a great many pipes and marry a great many women.

—A person can generally consume the most of his time by minding his own business.

A TOUCHING INCIDENT.

A young man and his wife were preparing to attend a family party at the house of a friend, some miles distant.

"Henry, my dear husband, don't drink too much at the party to-day; you will promise me, won't you?" said she, putting her hand upon his brow, and raising her eyes to his face with a pleading smile.

"No, Millie, I will not—you may trust me;" and she wrapped her infant in a soft blanket, and they descended. The horses were soon prancing over the turf, and a pleasant conversation beguiled the way.

"Now don't forget your promise," whispered the young wife, as they passed up the steps. Poor thing! She was the wife of a man who loved to look upon the wine when red.

The party passed pleasantly: the departure drew near: the wife descended from the upper chamber to join her husband. A pang shot through her beating heart as she met him, for he was intoxicated; he had broken his promise. Silently they rode homeward, save when the drunken man broke into snatches of songs or unmeaning laughter. But the wife rode on, her babe pressed closely to her heart.

"Give me the babe, Millie; I can't trust you with him," he said, as they approached a dark and swollen stream. After some hesitation she resigned her first-born—her darling babe—closely wrapped in a great blanket, to his arms. Over the dark waters the noble steed safely bore them; and when they reached the bank, the mother asked for her child. With much care and tenderness he placed the bundle in her arms; but when she clasped it to her heart, no babe was there! It had slipped from the blanket, and the drunken father knew it not. A wild shriek from the mother aroused him, and he turned round just in time to see the little rosy face rise one moment above the dark waters, then sink forever, and that by his own intemperance!

The anguish of the mother, and remorse of the father, are better imagined than described.—*Christian News.*

"GENTLE EVA."—Eva A. Cuthbert has been writing letters to various gentlemen in Indiana, setting forth how she had met "a gentleman of your name and from your State," in Washington in 1865; how her beloved father afterward died in Paris, and she was left "a giddy, thoughtless, handsome girl, in that gay and licentious capital, unprotected;" how she "became an easy victim to a cruel deceiver," but, discovering the blackness of his heart, she fled from him, and is now "fallen from happiness and affluence to the blackest despair and want." Then she asks, with girlish ingenuousness, "Are you still unmarried?" and adds, gushingly, "If you are still alone, write and say that I may come to you. I will be your constant slave—your grateful, willing, loving slave." And then comes a confession of penury, and an urgent appeal for aid and comfort. "Enclose me a few dollars, and advise me how to act." A gentleman in Lafayette received one of these letters, and not being "still alone," having no recollection of the afflicted Eva, and no surplus stamps to invest in that way, and fearing the wife of his bosom might object to his possession of a "grateful, willing, loving slave," of about Eva's dimensions, he sent the document to the newspapers. Eva's address is Winchester, New Hampshire, and she is undoubtedly a social evil of the masculine persuasion, and of the confidence species.

—The other evening at the theatre a gentleman felt the pressure of feminine feet upon his patent leathers. At first the sensation was delightful. It made inexpressibly delicious thrills pass through his body; but these sensations wore away, and the pressure began to feel the least bit uncomfortable.

"Madam!" he gently suggested, "you are standing on my feet."

"Your feet, sir?"

"Yes, madam."

"Goodness! I beg your pardon sir; I thought I was standing on a block of wood, they are quite large, sir!"

Quite, *but you covered 'em, madam!*"

—That the ancient Egyptians were familiar with the use of iron, is shown by nails in the inner door of Theban tombs, which could not have been opened for at least two thousand years.

—An Irishman, illustrating the horrors of solitary confinement, stated that out of one hundred persons sentenced to endure this punishment for life, only fifteen survived it.

—Large numbers of northern people visit Fort Sumter and carry away relics of the war—iron, stones, and whatever else they think has an historic interest.

—Who ever heard of a woman with pretty ankles and whole stockings, complain of wet sidewalks or muddy crossings?

—Henry Clay told Anna Cora Mowatt that kissing is like the presidency, not to be sought and not to be declined.

—Why is the hog the most extraordinary animal in creation? Because you first kill him, and afterwards cure him!

The Journal.

SATURDAY, APRIL 4, 1868.

THE Fenians are likely to gain something for Ireland. Mr. Gladstone, in the House of Commons, has appealed to that body to do away with the law compelling Ireland to support protestant churches, when most of the Irish are Catholics.

LITTLE Rhode Island held its State election on Wednesday, and re-elected Governor Burnside, by 9769 votes, to 5458 for Pierce, the Democratic candidate. All the subordinate officers on the State ticket were elected, and the legislature is radically Republican.

THE President has created a new military department to be known as the Department of the Atlantic, and has assigned General Hancock to its command. There can be no possible use for this department, unless the President expects to use it to thwart the power of Congress if he should be impeached. It is doubtful whether he has the right to create this department as Congress created the others, yet it is no greater assumption of power than he has used in other instances.

THEY do things on their own hook up in the Red River Settlement, and why not, when they are so far away from the rest of the world that nobody else can do anything for them? Some four hundred of the inhabitants have met and formed a government of their own, inasmuch as they were too far away to enjoy any at the hands of the British authorities. They have elected a President, and put in motion all the machinery of government. What will the British Lion say to this?

CONNECTICUT is sure to elect a Republican Governor next Monday. The State is thoroughly aroused, and the Republicans are in the best of spirits. They have a clear field, and fewer obstacles to contend with this year. The negro suffrage and eight hour questions, which carried the State for English, are out of the way, and the tide is rolling back. The opposition majority was less than a thousand last year, and it will be in a minority of more than two thousand this year. The indications are such as to leave no room for doubt on the subject.

SENATOR FULLER, of Westfield, is getting frightened, and should be provided with a body guard. He has attacked the Deputy State Constable, of Springfield, who has recently been re-appointed, stating to the Senate that he was afraid he would do him personal injury, and charging him with drunkenness, &c. This is pretty mean in Mr. Fuller, for he has the privilege of the Senate to say what he choses, and Mr. Chapin cannot defend himself. Mr. Chapin is physically a small man, and Mr. Fuller's show of the white feather is not creditable to his pluck, to say nothing of the dignity of his position.

IMPEACHMENT does not belong exclusively to the United States. In the black man's republic, on the coast of Africa, Chief Justice E. J. Roy, well know as the oldest shipping merchant and wealthiest man in Liberia, has been impeached for mal-administration of his official duties, and Mr. C. L. Parsons appointed in his place. Judge Roy's crime consisted in a decision of a case involving a seizure of an English vessel for trading between the ports of the republic without a license. The law exacts confiscation, and the judge affixed a pecuniary value to this penalty, authorizing the discharge of the vessel on the payment of a given sum.

WHILE Congress is trying Johnson on charges of impeachment, it makes the cheek of every loyal person blush with shame that Jeff. Davis, the cause of all our troubles and the destroyer of thousands of lives, is suffered to go untried and unpunished. He is now journeying, with his family, towards Canada, and a very pleasant trip they have had, no doubt, in their visit South. Had he been tried and punished, Johnson would never have given cause for impeachment. It is said that his trial will begin on the 4th of next May. Yet no one supposes that it will. Chief Justice Chase has managed to delay it till now, and we have no reason to believe that he ever will be tried. His crimes are a hundred fold greater than those of President Johnson. Yet the latter will no doubt suffer more severely than the man who was the life and heart of the Rebellion.

WHO shall be our next Vice President, is a question of much debate at present. Massachusetts has resolved in convention in favor of Henry Wilson. Ohio wants Ben. Wade; Indiana wants Colfax; New York, Gov. Fenton; Connecticut, Buckingham; and Maine, Hanibal Hamlin. Gen. Grant, who is sure of receiving the nomination for President, comes from the West, and in justice to the Eastern States the Vice President should be taken from one of them. Massachusetts ought to receive the honor, but there will be such combinations made against her that we have little hope that she will secure it. New York, Pennsylvania, and some of the Western States, will overshadow Massachusetts in the Convention, and as nearly all the New England States will have candidates, their influence will be divided—leaving New York or the West to carry off the honor.

—President Johnson vetoed the bill to amend the judiciary act of September 24, 1789—but it has passed over his veto.—A veto from him long has been next to nothing, and now it is nothing.

LETTER FROM BOSTON.

From Our Own Correspondent.

BOSTON, March 30, 1868.

The New England Methodist Conference is holding here an important session. A warm debate is in progress on the subject of lay representation. A strong report is offered by the majority against the proposed plan; and an influential minority report is also brought in by Dr. Haven. The vote will be looked for with great interest.

Another of our churches was destroyed yesterday by incendiarism—the Methodist Church, corner of St. James street, in the Highland District. A valuable organ, library and other fixtures, and an adjoining house, were burned.

Rev. Dr. Manning's course of lectures on "Speculative Philosophy," before the Methodist Institute, closed to-day with an able review of Emersonian nihility. Granting all that could be asked by the admirers of the *man*, Dr. M. showed the *system* of dreary pantheistic fatalism to be a miserable substitute for the religion of the Bible, which is the only corner stone of the national, as it is of individual prosperity.

The beginning of the impeachment trial to-day is celebrated here by the opening of the grand National Tableaux by Nast, at Horticultural Hall. These caricaturama, thirty-three in number, represent the great epochs of our history, from the landing of the Pilgrims to the scenes of to-day at Washington, and are to produce a great sensation in Boston. These constitute a new volume on canvas, such as Petroleum V. Nasby has given in prose. As I have only seen a few of the cartoons I must reserve a description of them and the lecture by Hon. Charles H. Brainard, late of Washington—which is no small feature in this satirical show-up of copperheadism and treason.

William H. Piper & Co. have just published a handsome volume on Physiology, Courtship and Marriage, which ought to be read by all who intend applying for admission to that Marriage Fraud Association, which the Journal told us about recently. It seems a little singular that your correspondent had never heard of this Society before. It would have been a good thing for him to have joined, and so received the $500.00 those triplets would have brought him the other day.

Our City Missionary Society published to-day their fifty-first report, from which it appears that they have had twenty-one missionaries the past year who have averaged 200 visits each; have gathered 625 children into day and Sabbath schools; given 5,876 garments; taken 203 temperance pledges, and held 2,115 social religious meetings, besides being the almoners of private and public charities of which no account is published. Seventy conversions are reported, and the present prospects of the society are very encouraging. T.

The Impeachment Trial.

The trial of President Johnson on charges of impeachment re-commenced on Monday, when Gen. Butler in behalf of the managers, delivered a lengthy speech, setting forth in a lucid manner the charges against the President. This consumed the whole of the day, and on Tuesday a wrangle occurred between the Senate and Chief Justice Chase, in regard to the power of the latter to decide questions that come before the Court. The Justice contended that he had, while the managers argued that he had not. Finally the Senate retired and decided that the Justice was right. The managers were dissatisfied, without the power to help themselves, and the trial was resumed. The introduction of testimony has commenced, but the proceedings are necessarily slow, as every step is resisted by the opposing counsel. The disagreement between the managers and Senate is quite satisfactory to Mr. Johnson, who hopes through such disagreement to secure his acquittal. The case will undoubtedly last till May, at the rate it is going on.

WHEN a man is in a public office outsiders are usually insinuating that he is stealing enough to make himself rich, which is as much as to say "If we were there we should do as we think he does." This seems to be the case at Washington.—Everybody in office is suspected or charged with unlawfully appropriating Government funds; and somebody has instigated Congress to inquire whether there are not some funds somewhere, *not appropriated by law*, which the Secretary uses. The answer, of course, is point blank in the negative. It is not only unfair to Mr. Seward, but insulting. But when a man takes a responsible office of any kind he must at once make up his mind that the hungry hounds who cannot get in will set up a howl against his honesty. Secretary Seward may congratulate himself if he is accused of nothing worse, for all manner of crimes are laid at the doors of nearly every man connected with the Government.

THE American Colonization Society is making an earnest appeal for money to colonize in Liberia more than two thousand freedmen who want to go there. Four thousand freedmen have petitioned Congress to send them to Liberia, or to give the Colonization Society the means to send them. Some of their petitions have been published, and also some letters from them, from all of which we judge they are persons of some intelligence, good character, and earnest in their desire to emigrate. They are poor and unable to pay their expenses. Many of them have friends in Liberia. They are all needed there—and as they want to go there, it seems desirable that they should be assisted. The Society's ship is expected to sail about the first of May, and carry 650 of them. Donations should therefore be made at once, and sent in sums, large or small, to Rev. W. McLain, D. D., Financial Secretary of American Colonization Society, Washington, D. C.

BAD COUNSEL.—The rebel papers of South Carolina counsel the people not to vote on the new Constitution which is submitted to them, because it degrades them. They are advised to wait for better times when they will not be under the rule of the sword.

—Colonel Sarmiento, Envoy from the Argentine Republic to the United States, has been elected to the Presidency of his own country. He is a man of distinction in politics and in letters.

—During the nine months that the Bankrupt Law has been in operation, there have been filed in New York about 2000 petitions; in Massachusetts 285; and in Pennsylvania over 1200.

ALL SORTS OF THINGS.

THE hasty legislation at Boston is attributed to the supposition that some of the members are fast.

—The Prince of Wales has just been presented with a Bible purchased with the contributions of 1511 Sunday Schools. From all accounts the Prince ought to read it.

—The La Crosse Democrat calls Congress "The Bump Hell at Washington." Is it because they have got a devil of a President in it just at present?

—At a grand entertainment for the benefit of the poor, in St. James' Hall, Buffalo, N. Y., Weston, the pedestrian walked a mile in 6 minutes 55 seconds.

—It is stated that the new Constitution has been adopted in Arkansas by a small majority—say 3000.

—President Johnson's receptions are thinly attended. It is believed he will not much longer be a receiver at the White House, and so he receives the cold shoulder.

—Chief Justice Chase has the draft of the minutes of each day's proceedings of the Court of Impeachment brought to his house at night for correction.

—Four locomotives are to be shipped from New York to San Francisco for the use of the Central Pacific Railway.

—The reduction of the public debt the past month does not exceed $2,000,000.

—An eccentric English nobleman once lighted a bonfire in his park, and walked through it to get a foretaste of hell, and try what it felt like.

—Elastic bood-heels are a new invention, and said to be good.

—On Sunday morning last, one farmer in Seymour, Vt., had 43 sheep killed by dogs.

—Numbers of sheep are dying in Vermont of a disease known as the grubs.

—There is a frightful rumor prevalent that large bonnets are coming into fashion again.

—The heaviest snow storm ever known in Colorado and New Mexico occurred there recently.

—Some of the Western papers profess to believe that the bloodiest Indian war on record will be commenced about the middle of April.

—A seal, weighing 150 pounds, was captured on Long beach, Nahant, last week.

—A great religious revival is now prevailing in Connecticut.

—Rev. Robert Collyer, of Chicago, enthusiastically advocated the opera in a recent sermon.

—The "drummer" system is to be abandoned by the wholesale merchants of Chicago.

—A French family, recently arrested for vagrancy in Buffalo, had been eating rats as a part of their food.

—An explosion took place in a plow foundry at Bristol, Vt., the other day, which shattered every pane of glass in the building. It was occasioned by water in the moulds.

—A Western editor says that in smoky Pittsburg men kiss each other's wives, and are able to tell which is their own only by the taste.

—The Boston and Albany Railroad have a surplus of 160,000 cords of wood on hand.

—Brigham Young has started a cotton factory in Utah.

—Government sold 7,000,000 acres of land last year.

—Queen Victoria has over thirty tons of silver and gold plate.

—The salt mines of Syracuse have yielded 80,000,000 pounds since their discovery.

—A trotting mule in Louisville has made a mile in 2.21.

—"Sumter Bitters" are advertised in Charleston. Didn't they get enough of that in 1861?

An Admirer of Dickens.

On Friday evening, the 20th ult., I had the pleasure of listening to the reading of "A Christmas Carrol" and the "Trial of Bardell *vs.* Pickwick," by Charles Dickens. I anticipated disappointment, such as we all feel in having suddenly brought before us the representative of a cherished ideal. Therefore I awaited with something like a tremor the appearance of the greatest character-painter of the day. Presently he appears! A lithe, energetic man, of medium height crosses the platform at a brisk gait of five miles an hour, and takes his position behind the table. This is Charles Dickens, whose name has been a household word in England and America for thirty years; whose books have been the joy and solace of many a weary heart and head. Without doubt the first impression was flavored with disappointment, though at a glance, the expression was replete with power. The first pages of "A Christmas Carol" were read with an impassive quietness, and a constant upward carving of the voice that would have made the entertainment excessively wearisome had the reader not been Dickens or the production other than his own. His reading of "Scrooge" is inimitable; and nothing can be better than the Fezziwig party; but he surpasses himself at the "Cratchit Christmas Dinner." There are the two young Cratchits, who crammed spoons in their mouths lest they should shriek for goose before their turn; and there is *that* goose. It is utterly impossible to describe in words; but at least there is happiness for all, as Tiny Tim exclaims "God bless us every one!"

Those who do not read his works with avidity should never seek to see him, for they will be alive only to the merits of his reading, which is remarkable in no way. His rendering of Sam Weller, as the most comical of all Dickens' humorous creations, gave me the least satisfaction as a reading—the irrepressible Samuel only appearing in that funny corner of his eye. He seemed, on the night in question, to most identify himself with old "Justice Stareleigh." The voice, the arrangement of the hair, the control of his face, being complete, though how he could express so much pompous stupidity, is a marvel to me.

But he has left us, and by his own admission, we have looked our last upon him, until we meet beyond the bourne. For myself, I have a sort of blind gratitude and reverence for him, that he has so nearly realized my conceptions of Charles Dickens. E. A. W.

AN ELOPING COUPLE FROM WORCESTER ARRESTED IN ALBANY.—A very handsome young lady of 17 yrs. on Monday last, eloped with her Romeo from Worcester, and had got as far as Albany, N. Y., when they were arrested, a telegram from the lady's father to the Albany Chief Police having preceded them. The lady was detained until the arrival of her father, with whom she very willingly returned home. Her faithful lover was then released from custody, and avows his intention of seeking his fair mistress and making her his wife, the first opportunity that offers.

PACIFIC R. R.—The Union Pacific Railroad is completed to a point 27 miles west of Cheyenne, and within four miles of the highest summit of the entire route. The number of men now employed in that section is 3000.

NEW DAILY.—F. H. Stearns and Edward King have commenced the publication of the Evening News, at Springfield. It is printed at the Republican office, and promises to be an interesting sheet.

EARLY.—Farmers are plowing and sowing in Wisconsin. That beats us this way.

PALMER AND VICINITY.

MOVING.—B. H. Johnson, of this village, has a long job of moving buildings in Amherst.

BRIMFIELD.—Luther Town has bought of C. L. Stebbins the Oliver Welles farm in Brimfield for $4200.

FROGS have begun to peep, which is one of those unmistakeable signs we have that spring has arrived.

THE annual meeting of the Second Baptist Society occurs at the vestry of their church next Monday evening, at which time the slips in the church will be rented.

AN act legalizing the late annual town meeting has passed the lower branch of the legislature, and in a day or two our town officers will be all right, so far as legality is concerned.

FAST DAY may have been a day of fasting, but it was rather a holiday here. There were services at the Congregational Church in the morning, and pleasure-seekers in the streets all day.

STEAM MILL.—Chas. Goff, of this town, who, in company with another man, bought a lumber farm in Russell some time ago, will erect a steam mill this spring in the center of the lumber lot.

SUGARING.—A party of young folks went up to Leveret Fast Day on a sugaring excursion, and besides getting their fill of sugar, got caught in the rain. The sugar may have been dissolved by the wet, but the lasses were not.

GONE AWAY.—J. B. Gould, dentist, and proprietor of the Main street billiard saloon, has removed to Ware and become the proprietor of the Ware Hotel. May he thrive as one who knows how to keep a hotel.—He still carries on the billiard saloon here.

FREE FIGHT.—A party of Canucks, filled with joy from the cup of Bacchus, had a free fight among themselves in this place Wednesday evening, and afterwards renewed the same at Thorndike. The absence of "ye constable" gave them full liberty to enjoy the pleasure to their hearts' content.

BELCHERTOWN.—Mr. and Mrs. James Walker, of Belchertown, celebrated their "tin wedding" on the evening of the 17th ult. Among the presents was an old fashioned Britannia Sugar Bowl, more than one hundred years old, presented by the bride's grandmother, Mrs. Candace Barton, who is 97 years and 7 months old.

NEW CHURCH.—Persons interested in having a new church between "Sodom" and Collins' Depot, on the Palmer road, are soon to erect one, to be called the Christian Union Church. Dr. A. M. Higgins, of this town, and Col. Butler, of Wilbraham, are prominent in the enterprise. The church will stand about three-fourths of a mile east of Collins' Depot.

MAKE YOUR OWN BROOMS. — We have been using, for the past week, a new patent broom, the handle of which is so arranged that when one broom is worn out, any one can refill it, and make it as good as ever, in a few moments. Daniel Hitchcock, of Springfield, is general agent for Massachusetts, and will sell brooms, broom corn, or town rights, as may be desired.

SUCH pleasant weather as we have enjoyed for a few weeks, is not seldom allotted to mortals thus early in the season. The roads have become dry and dusty in many places, and it only needs a few April showers to cause a resurrection of everything that is green. P. S.—One of the showers came Thursday afternoon, and with it thunder and lightning of the sharpest kind. It cleared off as bright as a new button.

STATE ALMSHOUSE.—Dr. Wakefield, the new Superintendent, and his family arrived on Wednesday, and were cordially received by all the subordinate officers of the institution. The latter recently met and presented Joseph H. Brewster and his wife with a valuable present, as a token of the esteem in which they are held. The gift was rendered more valuable and gratifying by the expressions of kindness which accompanied it. During the three months in which Mr. Brewster has been Acting Superintendent, he has received the cordial cooperation of his subordinates, and the institution has improved in efficiency and usefulness. He now resumes his former position as Assistant Superintendent, and his wife continues as Matron. Dr. J. D. Nichols, the retiring physician, has also been made the recipient of a handsome testimonial of the good will of his associate officers. Several cases of cerebro-spinal meningitis have recently occurred among the children of the Primary School, proving fatal in each case after a brief illness.

SOUTH WILBRAHAM.—The Congregational Society of this place report themselves clear from debt, and a small nest-egg on hand—a thing not common for them, but seemingly quite gratifying. One thing seems to disturb them somewhat. Some time during the last six months the society had stolen from them $200.00 in Government Bonds. They were in the possession of W. V. Sessions, and he reports that he knew not when they were stolen, from the fact that they were in a secret place in his house, and there being more bonds in the same package, he thinks they must have been taken by some of his own help, or some person who knew and was familiar in his house. The officers of the society for the current year are, S. C. Spellman, M. H. Warren, and R. S. Chapin, Committee; Dr. G. T. Ballard, Clerk; Marcus Beebe, Treasurer.—Hiram Scripter has sold his homestead to Lyman Smith, who took possession on the first of this month.—Joel C. Dove, *alias* J. C. Newcomb, has also bargained his to Mrs. Williams, of Brooklyn, N. Y. Mr. Dove contemplates a change in his occupation, and is now looking for a farm to locate upon.—A. W. Bennett, the Evangelist, closed his labors in School District No. 7, last week. He has labored there for some six months, and feels that through his efforts some twenty or more have been converted. He leaves with the best of feelings towards them, which is reciprocated. At the close he gave them an original poem on this text: "See that ye fall not out by the way." Those who heard it speak of it in the highest praise. S. W.

CONFERENCE APPOINTMENTS.—The Methodist Conference which has been in session at Boston for a week, has made the following appointments for this vicinity:—

Springfield, S. Roy at the Florence street, C. D. Hills at the Pynchon street, J. Scott at the Union street, and C. A. Merrill at the Central; Wilbraham, F. Furber; South Wilbraham, W. B. Tonbain; Ludlow and Jenecksville, L. A. Bosworth; Chicopee, E. A. Manning; Westfield, J. H. Mansfield; Southampton, A. F. Bailey; Easthampton, C. T. Johnson; Northampton, Joseph Mansfield; Palmer, to be supplied; Belchertown, C. H. Vinton; South Belchertown, to be supplied; Bonds Village, W. M Hubbard; Pelham, John Noon; Enfield, J. W. Lee; Amherst, E. F. Pitcher; North Amherst, to be supplied; Leyden, J. M. Clark; Hadley, H. S. Booth; E. Cooke, principal, L. White and T. H. Kimpton, teachers in Wesleyan Academy, members of Wilbraham quarterly conference; Brookfield, C. H. Newell; East Brookfield, to be supplied by S. F. Cushman; West Brookfield, J. Marcy; North Brookfield, G. F. Rent; Warren, T. B. Treadwell; Monson, B. H. Howard; Wales, G. Hewes; Ware, G. F. Eaton; Hardwick, to be supplied; presiding elder for Springfield district, D. Sherman.

A PERSECUTED MAN.—James L. Blackstone recently advertised his farm, in Branford, Conn., for sale. He then sold his household goods, announcing that he was about to remove from the State, and in addition circulated notices stating that he left because (as was well known) his chickens had been maliciously killed, his cows poisoned, and his own life threatened. He sold his farm, but before he could remove from it his wife and two children were poisoned by drinking water from the well, and came nigh losing their lives. The case has excited much feeling in the town. Persons living near the property in question are said to have been the perpetrators of the outrages.

TRAGEDY.—At the dinner-table of a hotel in Tuscumbia, Ala., a few days ago, Robbert Cunningham, late of the rebel army, entered into a dispute with a Mr. Collins, who was a Union soldier, about the Arkansas election. The discussion waxed warm, and Cunningham drew a revolver on his antagonist, who promptly brought into use his own pistol and fired, killing him instantly. Collins gave himself up to the authorities.

MURDERED FOR NOT MAKING A FIRE.—The Cleveland Plaindealer gives an account of a murder committed at Akron, Ohio, on Tuesday, by a man named Johnson. The victim was his own wife. From the statement of his son and the dying woman, it appears he struck her on the head with an axe because she would not get up and build a fire. The poor woman was the mother of four children.

OMINOUS.—A singular phenomenon is thus reported by the Milan (Mo.) Herald: "On last Wednesday night, about 8 o'clock, a very wonderful and curious looking cloud appeared over this city. Those who saw the mysterious looking vapor say that it was a large black cloud, with the perfect outlines of a snow-white coffin directly in the centre."

SUING FOR BOUNTY.—Thirty-eight colored men who enlisted in Louisville, Ky., during the war, have brought suit against the city for their bounty money. The whole amount claimed is $11,400. The defence claims that they were slaves at the time of their enlistment, and that most of the bounty money has been paid their former owners.

UNGALLANT.—Miss. Olive Logan was arrested in Columbus, Ohio, on a warrant issued by Mayor Bull, for not having procured a city license to lecture there. A city ordinance provides that this is necessary, but it had not been enforced during the past Winter. Miss Logan pleaded her own case, and after paying the license, left the city.

THE NEW LICENSE BILL. — The license bill which has passed the House, provides that sellers of liquor, to be drank on the premises, shall pay $100 license, and that towns shall vote on the question of license or no license, at the annual meetings.—Persons licensed are required to make bi-monthly report of their business.

CONSTITUTION ADOPTED.—The latest returns, or reports, state that the Constitution of Arkansas has been ratified by three or four thousand majority. The time for voting was extended several days, "in consequence of severe storms and heavy freshets," which prevented voters from reaching the polls.

OUTRAGED. — The Portsmouth (N. H.) Chronicle says that the daughter of a respectable citizen of Kittery was twice outraged last Friday night by a fiend in human shape. The girl is only 13 years of age, and was in charge of her ravisher, whose age is 58.

MORMONS COMING.—A large colony of Mormons arrived in Omaha recently on their way to Salt Lake. This body of religious followers of Brigham Young is the first move of the Mormon emigration for 1868. It has made its appearance unusually early.

FIRE IN SPRINGFIELD. — Homer Foot's block got badly scorched by a fire which broke out in Spooner's picture palace, on Tuesday night. The third story was pretty much burned out, and the loss by fire and water reaches $25,000 or $30,000.

DEATH OF JUDGE WILMOT.—Hon. David Wilmot, author of the once-famous "Wilmot Proviso," and recently Judge of the Court of Claims at Washington, died on Monday the 16th inst., at his residence in Towanda, Pa., at the age of 54.

BOGUS.—Bogus champagne of the bogusest kind is made to pay a tax of fifty cents a bottle. It will hardly make it pay under an imposition so much like itself. Must not such taxation prove ruinous to American industry?

PARDON REFUSED. — Gov. Fenton has refused to pardon young Ketchum, though his friends set up the plea of insanity in his behalf. Perhaps the Governor thinks there was method in his madness.

NOT BLOW OUT THE GAS. — Blowing out the gas in his room at the Walker House, Portland, just before retiring to bed, will probably cause the death of a young man named Bridges of Dover, Me.

THE BLOODY HAND.—A Mobile (Ala.) man who visited a low den, one evening, in coming out found a bloody human hand in his pocket, bearing marks of having recently been severed from the body.

CONDUCTOR JENNINGS' train was switched off the track at Indian Orchard on Wednesday morning, when the engine turned over; but nobody was hurt and no serious damage was done.

FALL OF GRAIN.—The floors of a great grain house in Peoria lately gave way and about fifty thousand bushels of wheat were dropped into the cellar, where the water was three feet deep.

THE LETTER C.—During eleven Presidential campaigns there have been candidates in whose names a capital "C" occurred, none of whom were elected, namely: Chas. C. Pinckney, twice a candidate; George Clinton; De Witt Clinton; William H. Crawford; Henry Clay, three times a candidate; Lewis Cass; John C. Fremont;—George B. McClellan. We have had seventeen Presidents and only three had a middle name. The names of nine of them end with the letter n. Grant hasn't got a "C" in his name, consequently we shall see (C) him elected.

WORKMEN AT THE TUNNEL.—There are 534 men employed upon Hoosac tunnel.—The pay roll is about $20,000 per month.—225 men reside at the east end; 25 at the central shaft; 17 at well No. 4.; 9 at the west end; engineers, clerks, &c., number eight. Besides these B. N. Farren has 80 men at work, on the west end upon heading and masonry.

TAX ON INCOMES.—Less than a quarter of a million of persons pay an income tax in this country. This is a large number, considering the exemptions that exist, and which relieve many persons who are abundantly able to pay something. Then there are many false returns made, whereby a legion of men exempt themselves.

S. D. & H. W. SMITH'S AMERICAN ORGANS.—We have ourselves both seen and heard a large instrument of the above manufacture, which has been purchased by the Congregational Society of this place. It is a very superior instrument in the mechanical perfection of its various parts, and in the resemblance of its tones to those of a pipe organ, it is superior to any we have ever heard.—It contains 5 sets of reeds and 14 stops, and is capable of a great variety of expressions, its softest tones being beautifully sweet and pure, while the stronger tones are delightfully full and sonorous. The reeds are so voiced that there is a marked difference in the quality of the tones of each set, and by this improvement different qualities of tone can be used when desired, and when the whole are combined, a richer, grander volume of tone is produced than can be by other instruments not thus voiced. It is but just that we should say that this Organ was selected by the committee, after a careful study and trial of the most celebrated reed organs, and is believed by them to possess more of the requisite qualities to make up a good instrument than any other kind of organ manufactured. These organs are manufactured by S. D. & H. W. Smith, at Boston, Mass.

SYDNIE ADRIANCE; OR, TRYING THE WORLD.—This is the name of a new Novelet by Amanda M. Douglass, the talented author of "In Trust," "Stephen Dane," &c. It is the story of a young orphan girl's experiences. It is now being published in THE SATURDAY EVENING POST, and will run through from fifteen to twenty papers. One dollar sent to the publishers, H. Peterson & Co., Philadelphia, will secure THE POST for six months, including this and other deeply interesting stories. Single numbers 5 cents.

MRS. PARTINGTON remarked that, however much the President and Congress might differ on the country's destruction, one thing was certain, so long as the scriptures were universally dissembled, and Herrick Allen's Gold Medal Saleratus promulgated, the glorious Stars and Stripes would rave over the land of the free.

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The Journal.

SATURDAY, APRIL 4, 1868.

THE Fenians are likely to gain something for Ireland. Mr. Gladstone, in the House of Commons, has appealed to that body to do away with the law compelling Ireland to support protestant churches, when most of the Irish are Catholics.

LITTLE Rhode Island held its State election on Wednesday, and re-elected Governor Burnside, by 9769 votes, to 5458 for Pierce, the Democratic candidate. All the subordinate officers on the State ticket were elected, and the legislature is radically Republican.

THE President has created a new military department to be known as the Department of the Atlantic, and has assigned General Hancock to its command. There can be no possible use for this department, unless the President expects to use it to thwart the power of Congress if he should be impeached. It is doubtful whether he has the right to create this department as Congress created the others, yet it is no greater assumption of power than he has used in other instances.

THEY do things on their own hook up in the Red River Settlement, and why not, when they are so far away from the rest of the world that nobody else can do anything for them? Some four hundred of the inhabitants have met and formed a government of their own, inasmuch as they were too far away to enjoy any at the hands of the British authorities. They have elected a President, and put in motion all the machinery of government. What will the British Lion say to this?

CONNECTICUT is sure to elect a Republican Governor next Monday. The State is thoroughly aroused, and the Republicans are in the best of spirits. They have a clear field, and fewer obstacles to contend with this year. The negro suffrage and eight hour questions, which carried the State for English, are out of the way, and the tide is rolling back. The opposition majority was less than a thousand last year, and it will be in a minority of more than two thousand this year. The indications are such as to leave no room for doubt on the subject.

SENATOR FULLER, of Westfield, is getting frightened, and should be provided with a body guard. He has attacked the Deputy State Constable, of Springfield, who has recently been re-appointed, stating to the Senate that he was afraid he would do him personal injury, and charging him with drunkenness, &c. This is pretty mean in Mr. Fuller, for he has the privilege of the Senate to say what he choses, and Mr. Chapin cannot defend himself. Mr. Chapin is physically a small man, and Mr. Fuller's show of the white feather is not creditable to his pluck, to say nothing of the dignity of his position.

IMPEACHMENT does not belong exclusively to the United States. In the black man's republic, on the coast of Africa, Chief Justice E. J. Roy, well know as the oldest shipping merchant and wealthiest man in Liberia, has been impeached for mal-administration of his official duties, and Mr. C. L. Parsons appointed in his place. Judge Roy's crime consisted in a decision of a case involving a seizure of an English vessel for trading between the ports of the republic without a license. The law exacts confiscation, and the judge affixed a pecuniary value to this penalty, authorizing the discharge of the vessel on the payment of a given sum.

WHILE Congress is trying Johnson on charges of impeachment, it makes the cheek of every loyal person blush with shame that Jeff. Davis, the cause of all our troubles and the destroyer of thousands of lives, is suffered to go untried and unpunished. He is now journeying, with his family, towards Canada, and a very pleasant trip they have had, no doubt, in their visit South. Had he been tried and punished, Johnson would never have given cause for impeachment. It is said that his trial will begin on the 4th of next May. Yet no one supposes that it will. Chief Justice Chase has managed to delay it till now, and we have no reason to believe that he ever will be tried. His crimes are a hundred fold greater than those of President Johnson. Yet the latter will no doubt suffer more severely than the man who was the life and heart of the Rebellion.

WHO shall be our next Vice President, is a question of much debate at present. Massachusetts has resolved in convention in favor of Henry Wilson. Ohio wants Ben. Wade; Indiana wants Colfax; New York, Gov. Fenton; Connecticut, Buckingham; and Maine, Hanibal Hamlin. Gen. Grant, who is sure of receiving the nomination for President, comes from the West, and in justice to the Eastern States the Vice President should be taken from one of them. Massachusetts ought to receive the honor, but there will be such combinations made against her that we have little hope that she will secure it. New York, Pennsylvania, and some of the Western States, will overshadow Massachusetts in the Convention, and as nearly all the New England States will have candidates, their influence will be divided—leaving New York or the West to carry off the honor.

—President Johnson vetoed the bill to amend the judiciary act of September 24, 1789—but it has passed over his veto.—A veto from him long has been next to nothing, and now it is nothing.

LETTER FROM BOSTON.

From Our Own Correspondent.

BOSTON, March 30, 1868.

The New England Methodist Conference is holding here an important session. A warm debate is in progress on the subject of lay representation. A strong report is offered by the majority against the proposed plan; and an influential minority report is also brought in by Dr. Haven. The vote will be looked for with great interest.

Another of our churches was destroyed yesterday by incendiarism—the Methodist Church, corner of St. James street, in the Highland District. A valuable organ, library and other fixtures, and an adjoining house, were burned.

Rev. Dr. Manning's course of lectures on "Speculative Philosophy," before the Methodist Institute, closed to-day with an able review of Emersonian infidelity. Granting all that could be asked by the admirers of the *man*, Dr. M. showed the *system* of dreary pantheistic fatalism to be a miserable substitute for the religion of the Bible, which is the only corner stone of the national, as it is of individual prosperity.

The beginning of the impeachment trial to-day is celebrated here by the opening of the grand National Tableaux by Nast, at Horticultural Hall. These caricaturama, thirty-three in number, represent the great epochs of our history, from the landing of the Pilgrims to the scenes of to-day at Washington, and are to produce a great sensation in Boston. These constitute a new volume on canvas, such as Petroleum V. Nasby has given in prose. As I have only seen a few of the cartoons I must reserve a description of them and the lecture by Hon. Charles H. Brainard, late of Washington—which is no small feature in this satirical show-up of copperheadism and treason.

William H. Piper & Co. have just published a handsome volume on Physiology, Courtship and Marriage, which ought to be read by all who intend applying for admission to that Marriage Fund Association, which the Journal told us about recently. It seems a little singular that your correspondent had never heard of this society before. It would have been a good thing for him to have joined, and so received the $500.00 those triplets would have brought him the other day.

Our City Missionary Society published to-day their fifty-first report, from which it appears that they have had twenty-one missionaries the past year who have averaged 200 visits each; have gathered 625 children into day and Sabbath schools; given 5,876 garments; taken 203 temperance pledges, and held 2,115 social religious meetings, besides being the almoners of private and public charities of which no account is published. Seventy conversions are reported, and the present prospects of the society are very encouraging. T.

The Impeachment Trial.

The trial of President Johnson on charges of impeachment re-commenced on Monday, when Gen. Butler in behalf of the managers, delivered a lengthy speech, setting forth in a lucid manner the charges against the President. This consumed the whole of the day, and on Tuesday a wrangle occurred between the Senate and Chief Justice Chase, in regard to the power of the latter to decide questions that come before the Court. The Justice contended that he had, while the managers argued that he had not. Finally the Senate retired and decided that the Justice was right. The managers were dissatisfied, without the power to help themselves, and the trial was resumed. The introduction of testimony has commenced, but the proceedings are necessarily slow, as every step is resisted by the opposing counsel. The disagreement between the managers and Senate is quite satisfactory to Mr. Johnson, who hopes through such disagreement to secure his acquittal. The case will undoubtedly last till May, at the rate it is going on.

WHEN a man is in a public office outsiders are usually insinuating that he is stealing enough to make himself rich, which is as much as to say "If we were there we should do as we think he does." This seems to be the case at Washington.—Everybody in office is suspected or charged with unlawfully appropriating Government funds; and somebody has instigated Congress to inquire whether there are not some funds somewhere, *not appropriated by law*, which the Secretary uses. The answer, of course, is point blank in the negative. It is not only unfair to Mr. Seward, but insulting. But when a man takes a responsible office of any kind he must at once make up his mind that the hungry hounds who cannot get in will set up a howl against his honesty. Secretary Seward may congratulate himself if he is accused of nothing worse, for all manner of crimes are laid at the doors of nearly every man connected with the Government.

THE American Colonization Society is making an earnest appeal for money to colonize in Liberia more than two thousand freedmen who want to go there. Four thousand freedmen have petitioned Congress to send them to Liberia, or to give the Colonization Society the means to send them. Some of their petitions have been published, and also some letters from them, from all of which we judge they are persons of some intelligence, good character, and earnest in their desire to emigrate. They are poor and unable to pay their expenses. Many of them have friends in Liberia. They are all needed there—and as they want to go there, it seems desirable that they should be assisted. The Society's ship is expected to sail about the first of May, and carry 650 of them. Donations should therefore be made at once, and sent in sums, large or small, to Rev. W. McLain, D. D., Financial Secretary of American Colonization Society, Washington, D. C.

BAD COUNSEL.—The rebel papers of South Carolina counsel the people not to vote on the new Constitution which is submitted to them, because it degrades them. They are advised to wait for better times when they will not be under the rule of the sword.

—Colonel Sarmiento, Envoy from the Argentine Republic to the United States, has been elected to the Presidency of his own country. He is a man of distinction in politics and in letters.

—During the nine months that the Bankrupt Law has been in operation, there have been filed in New York about 2000 petitions: in Massachusetts 285; and in Pennsylvania over 1200.

ALL SORTS OF THINGS.

THE hasty legislation at Boston is attributed to the supposition that some of the members are fast.

—The Prince of Wales has just been presented with a Bible purchased with the contributions of 1511 Sunday Schools. From all accounts the Prince ought to read it.

—The La Crosse Democrat calls Congress "The Rump Hell at Washington." Is it because they have got a devil of a President in it just at present?

—At a grand entertainment for the benefit of the poor, in St. James' Hall, Buffalo, N. Y., Weston, the pedestrian walked a mile in 6 minutes 55 seconds.

—It is stated that the new Constitution has been adopted in Arkansas by a small majority—say 3000.

—President Johnson's receptions are thinly attended. It is believed he will not much longer be a receiver at the White House, and so he receives the cold shoulder.

—Chief Justice Chase has the draft of the minutes of each day's proceedings of the Court of Impeachment brought to his house at night for correction.

—Four locomotives are to be shipped from New York to San Francisco for the use of the Central Pacific Railway.

—The reduction of the public debt the past month does not exceed $2,000,000.

—An eccentric English nobleman once lighted a bonfire in his park, and walked through it to get a foretaste of hell, and try what it felt like.

—Elastic bood-heels are a new invention, and said to be good.

—On Sunday morning last, one farmer in Seymour, Vt., had 21 sheep killed by dogs.

—Numbers of sheep are dying in Vermont of a disease known as the grubs.

—There is a frightful rumor prevalent that large bonnets are coming into fashion again.

—The heaviest snow storm ever known in Colorado and New Mexico occurred there recently.

—Some of the Western papers profess to believe that the bloodiest Indian war on record will be commenced about the middle of April.

—A seal, weighing 150 pounds, was captured on Long beach, Nahant, last week.

—A great religious revival is now prevailing in Connecticut.

—Rev. Robert Collyer, of Chicago, enthusiastically advocated the opera in a recent sermon.

—The "drummer" system is to be abandoned by the wholesale merchants of Chicago.

—A French family, recently arrested for vagrancy in Buffalo, had been eating rats as a part of their food.

—An explosion took place in a plow foundry at Bristol, Vt., the other day, which shattered every pane of glass in the building. It was occasioned by water in the moulds.

—A Western editor says that in smoky Pittsburg men kiss each other's wives, and are able to tell which is their own only by the taste.

—The Boston and Albany Railroad have a surplus of 160,000 cords of wood on hand.

—Brigham Young has started a cotton factory in Utah.

—Government sold 7,600,000 acres of land last year.

—Queen Victoria has over thirty tons of silver and gold plate.

—The salt mines of Syracuse have yielded 80,000,000 pounds since their discovery.

—A trotting mule in Louisville has made a mile in 2.21.

—"Sumter Bitters" are advertised in Charleston. Didn't they get enough of that in 1861?

An Admirer of Dickens.

On Friday evening, the 20th ult., I had the pleasure of listening to the reading of "A Christmas Carrol" and the "Trial of Bardell vs. Pickwick," by Charles Dickens. I anticipated disappointment, such as we all feel in having suddenly brought before us the representative of a cherished ideal. Therefore I awaited with something like a tremor the appearance of the greatest character-painter of the day. Presently he appears! A lithe, energetic man, of medium height crosses the platform at a brisk gait of five miles an hour, and takes his position behind the table. This is Charles Dickens, whose name has been a household word in England and America for thirty years; whose books have been the joy and solace of many a weary heart and head. Without doubt the first impression was flavored with disappointment, though at a glance, the expression was replete with power. The first pages of "A Christmas Carol" were read with an impassive quietness, and a constant upward curving of the voice that would have made the entertainment excessively wearisome had the reader not been Dickens or the production other than his own. His reading of "Scrooge" is inimitable; and nothing can be better than the Fezziwig party; but he surpasses himself at the "Cratchit Christmas Dinner." There are the two young Cratchits, who crammed spoons in their mouths lest they should shriek for goose before their turn; and there is *that* goose. It is utterly impossible to describe in words; but at least there is happiness for all, as Tiny Tim exclaims "God bless us every one!"

Those who do not read his works with avidity should never seek to see him, for they will be alive only to the merits of his reading, which is remarkable in no way. His rendering of Sam Weller, as the most comical of all Dickens' humorous creations, gave me the least satisfaction as a reading—the irrepressible Samuel only appearing in that funny corner of his eye. He seemed, on the night in question, to most identify himself with old "Justice Starleigh." The voice, the arrangement of the hair, the control of his face, being complete, though how he could express so much pompous stupidity, is a marvel to me.

But he has left us, and by his own admission, we have looked our last upon him, until we meet beyond the bourne. For my self, I have a sort of blind gratitude and reverence for him, that he has so nearly realized my conceptions of Charles Dickens. R. A. W.

AN ELOPING COUPLE FROM WORCESTER ARRESTED IN ALBANY.—A very handsome young lady of 17 yrs. on Monday last, eloped with her Romeo from Worcester, and had got as far as Albany, N. Y., when they were arrested, a telegram from the lady's father to the Albany Chief Police having preceded them. The lady was detained until the arrival of her father, with whom she very willingly returned home. Her faithful lover was then released from custody, and avows his intention of seeking his fair mistress and making her his wife, the first opportunity that offers.

PACIFIC R. R.—The Union Pacific Railroad is completed to a point 27 miles west of Cheyenne, and within four miles of the highest summit of the entire route. The number of men now employed in that section is 3000.

NEW DAILY.—F. H. Stearns and Edward King have commenced the publication of the Evening News, at Springfield. It is printed at the Republican office, and promises to be an interesting sheet.

EARLY.—Farmers are plowing and sowing in Wisconsin. That beats us this way.

PALMER AND VICINITY.

MOVING.—B. H. Johnson, of this village, has a long job of moving buildings in Amherst.

BRIMFIELD.—Luther Town has bought of C. L. Stebbins the Oliver Welles farm in Brimfield for $4200.

FROGS have begun to peep, which is one of those unmistakeable signs we have that spring has arrived.

THE annual meeting of the Second Baptist Society occurs at the vestry of their church next Monday evening, at which time the slips in the church will be rented.

AN act legalizing the late annual town meeting has passed the lower branch of the legislature, and in a day or two our town officers will be all right, so far as legality is concerned.

FAST DAY may have been a day of fasting, but it was rather a holiday here. There were services at the Congregational Church in the morning, and pleasure-seekers in the streets all day.

STEAM MILL.—Chas. Goff, of this town, who, in company with another man, bought a lumber farm in Russell some time ago, will erect a steam mill this spring in the center of the lumber lot.

SUGARING.—A party of young folks went up to Leveret Fast Day on a sugaring excursion, and besides getting their fill of sugar, got caught in the rain. The sugar may have been dissolved by the wet, but the lasses were not.

GONE AWAY.—J. B. Gould, dentist, and proprietor of the Main street billiard saloon, has removed to Ware and become the proprietor of the Ware Hotel. May he thrive as one who knows how to keep a hotel.—He still carries on the billiard saloon here.

FREE FIGHT.—A party of Canucks, filled with joy from the cup of Bacchus, had a free fight among themselves in this place Wednesday evening, and afterwards renewed the same at Thornlike. The absence of "ye constable" gave them full liberty to enjoy the pleasure to their hearts' content.

BELCHERTOWN.—Mr. and Mrs. James Walker, of Belchertown, celebrated their "tin wedding" on the evening of the 17th ult. Among the presents was an old fashioned Britannia Sugar Bowl, more than one hundred years old, presented by the bride's grandmother, Mrs. Candace Barton, who is 97 years and 7 months old.

NEW CHURCH.—Persons interested in having a new church between "Sodom" and Collins' Depot, on the Palmer road, are soon to erect one, to be called the Christian Union Church. Dr. A. M. Higgins, of this town, and Col. Butler, of Wilbraham, are prominent in the enterprise. The church will stand about three-fourths of a mile east of Collins' Depot.

MAKE YOUR OWN BROOMS.—We have been using, for the past week, a new patent broom, the handle of which is so arranged that when one broom is worn out, any one can refill it, and make it as good as ever, in a few moments. Daniel Hitchcock, of Springfield, is general agent for Massachusetts, and will sell brooms, broom corn, or town rights, as may be desired.

SUCH pleasant weather as we have enjoyed for a few weeks, is not seldom allotted to mortals thus early in the season. The roads have become dry and dusty in many places, and it only needs a few April showers to cause a resurrection of everything that is green. P. S.—One of the showers came Thursday afternoon, and with it thunder and lightning of the sharpest kind. It cleared off as bright as a new button.

STATE ALMSHOUSE.—Dr. Wakefield, the new Superintendent, and his family arrived on Wednesday, and were cordially received by all the subordinate officers of the institution. The latter recently met and presented Joseph H. Brewster and his wife with a valuable present, as a token of the esteem in which they are held. The gift was rendered more valuable and gratifying by the expressions of kindness which accompanied it. During the three months in which Mr. Brewster has been Acting Superintendent, he has received the cordial cooperation of his subordinates, and the institution has improved in efficiency and usefulness. He now resumes his former position as Assistant Superintendent, and his wife continues as Matron. Dr. J. D. Nichols, the retiring physician, has also been made the recipient of a handsome testimonial of the good will of his associate officers. Several cases of cerebro-spinal meningitis have recently occurred among the children of the Primary School, proving fatal in each case after a brief illness.

SOUTH WILBRAHAM.—The Congregational Society of this place report themselves clear from debt, and a small nest-egg on hand—a thing not common for them, but seemingly quite gratifying. One thing seems to disturb them somewhat. Some time during the last six months the society had stolen from them $200.00 in Government Bonds. They were in the possession of W. V. Sessions, and he reports that he knew not when they were stolen, from the fact that they were in a secret place in his house, and there being more bonds in the same package, he thinks they must have been taken by some of his own help, or some person who knew and was familiar in his house. The officers of the society for the current year are, S. C. Spellman, M. H. Warren, and R. S. Chapin, Committee; Dr. G. T. Ballard, Clerk; Marcus Beebe, Treasurer.—Hiram Scripter has sold his homestead to Lyman Smith, who took possession on the first of this month.—Joel C. Dove, *alias* J. C. Newcomb, has also bargained his to Mrs. Williams, of Brooklyn, N. Y. Mr. Dove contemplates a change in his occupation, and is now looking for a farm to locate upon.—A. W. Bennett, the Evangelist, closed his labors in School District No. 7, last week. He has labored there for some six months, and feels that through his efforts some twenty or more have been converted. He leaves with the best of feelings towards them, which is reciprocated. At the close he gave them an original poem on this text: "See that ye fall not out by the way." Those who heard it speak of it in the highest praise. S. W.

CONFERENCE APPOINTMENTS.—The Methodist Conference which has been in session at Boston for a week, has made the following appointments for this vicinity:—

Springfield, S. Ray at the Florence street, C. D. Hills at the Pynchon street, A. Scott at the Union street, and C. A. Merrill at the Central; Wilbraham, F. Furber; South Wilbraham, W. B. Toulmin; Ludlow and Jenckesville, L. A. Bosworth; Chicopee, E. A. Manning; Westfield, J. H. Mansfield; Southampton, A. F. Bailey; Easthampton, C. T. Johnson; Northampton, Joseph Mansfield; Palmer, to be supplied; Belchertown, C. H. Vinton; South Belchertown, to be supplied; Bonds Village, W. M Hubbard; Pelham, John Noon; Enfield, J. W. Lee; Amherst, E. F. Pitcher; North Amherst, to be supplied; Leyden, J. M. Clark; Hadley, H. S. Booth; E. Cooke, principal, L. White and T. H. Kimpton, teachers in Wesleyan Academy, members of Wilbraham quarterly conference; Brookfield, C. H. Newell; East Brookfield, to be supplied by S. F. Cushman; West Brookfield, J. Marcy; North Brookfield, G. B. Bent; Warren, T. B. Treadwell; Monson, E. H. Howard; Wales, A. Hewes; Ware, R. F. Eaton; Hardwick, to be supplied; presiding elder for Springfield district, D. Sherman.

A PERSECUTED MAN.—James L. Blackstone recently advertised his farm, in Branford, Conn., for sale. He then sold his household goods, announcing that he was about to remove from the State, and in addition circulated notices stating that he left because (as was well known) his chickens had been maliciously killed, his cows poisoned, and his own life threatened. He sold his farm, but before he could remove from it his wife and two children were poisoned by drinking water from the well, and came nigh losing their lives. The case has excited much feeling in the town. Persons living near the property in question are said to have been the perpetrators of the outrages.

TRAGEDY.—At the dinner-table of a hotel in Tuscumbia, Ala., a few days ago, Robbert Cunningham, late of the rebel army, entered into a dispute with a Mr. Collins, who was a Union soldier, about the Arkansas election. The discussion waxed warm, and Cunningham drew a revolver on his antagonist, who promptly brought into use his own pistol and fired, killing him instantly. Collins gave himself up to the authorities.

MURDERED FOR NOT MAKING A FIRE.—The Cleveland Plaindealer gives an account of a murder committed at Akron, Ohio, on Tuesday, by a man named Johnson. The victim was his own wife. From the statement of his son and the dying woman, it appears he struck her on the head with an axe because she would not get up and build a fire. The poor woman was the mother of four children.

OMINOUS.—A singular phenomenon is thus reported by the Milan (Mo.) Herald: "On last Wednesday night, about 8 o'clock, a very wonderful and curious looking cloud appeared over this city. Those who saw the mysterious looking vapor say that it was a large black cloud, with the perfect outlines of a snow-white coffin directly in the centre."

SUING FOR BOUNTY.—Thirty-eight colored men who enlisted in Louisville, Ky., during the war, have brought suit against the city for their bounty money. The whole amount claimed is $11,400. The defence claims that they were slaves at the time of their enlistment, and that most of the bounty money has been paid their former owners.

UNGALLANT.—Miss. Olive Logan was arrested in Columbus, Ohio, on a warrant issued by Mayor Bull, for not having procured a city license to lecture there. A city ordinance provides that this is necessary, but it had not been enforced during the past Winter. Miss Logan pleaded her own case, and after paying the license, left the city.

THE NEW LICENSE BILL.—The license bill which has passed the House, provides that sellers of liquor, to be drank on the premises, shall pay $100 license, and that towns shall vote on the question of license or no license, at the annual meetings.—Persons licensed are required to make bi-monthly report of their business.

CONSTITUTION ADOPTED.—The latest returns, or reports, state that the Constitution of Arkansas has been ratified by three or four thousand majority. The time for voting was extended several days, "in consequence of severe storms and heavy freshets," which prevented voters from reaching the polls.

OUTRAGED.—The Portsmouth (N. H.) Chronicle says that the daughter of a respectable citizen of Kittery was twice outraged last Friday night by a fiend in human shape. The girl is only 13 years of age, and was in charge of her ravisher, whose age is 58.

MORMONS COMING.—A large colony of Mormons arrived in Omaha recently on their way to Salt Lake. This body of religious followers of Brigham Young is the first move of the Mormon emigration for 1868. It has made its appearance unusually early.

FIRE IN SPRINGFIELD.—Homer Foot's block got badly scorched by a fire which broke out in Spooner's picture palace, on Tuesday night. The third story was pretty much burned out, and the loss by fire and water reaches $25,000 or $30,000.

DEATH OF JUDGE WILMOT.—Hon. David Wilmot, author of the once-famous "Wilmot Proviso," and recently Judge of the Court of Claims at Washington, died on Monday the 16th inst., at his residence in Towanda, Pa., at the age of 54.

BOGUS.—Bogus champagne of the bogusest kind is made to pay a tax of fifty cents a bottle. It will hardly make it pay under an imposition so much like itself. Must not such taxation prove ruinous to American industry?

PARDON REFUSED.—Gov. Fenton has refused to pardon young Ketchum, though his friends set up the plea of insanity in his behalf. Perhaps the Governor thinks there was method in his madness.

NOT BLOW OUT THE GAS.—Blowing out the gas in his room at the Walker House, Portland, just before retiring to bed, will probably cause the death of a young man named Bridges of Dover, Me.

THE BLOODY HAND.—A Mobile (Ala.) man who visited a low den, one evening, in coming out found a bloody human hand in his pocket, bearing marks of having recently been severed from the body.

CONDUCTOR JENNINGS' train was switched off the track at Indian Orchard on Wednesday morning, when the engine turned over; but nobody was hurt and no serious damage was done.

FALL OF GRAIN.—The floors of a great grain house in Peoria lately gave way and about fifty thousand bushels of wheat were dropped into the cellar, where the water was three feet deep.

THE LETTER C.—During eleven Presidential campaigns there have been candidates in whose names a capital "C" occurred, none of whom were elected, namely: Chas. C. Pinckney, twice a candidate; George Clinton; De Witt Clinton; William H. Crawford; Henry Clay, three times a candidate; Lewis Cass; John C. Fremont;—George B. McClellan. We have had seventeen Presidents and only three had a middle name. The names of nine of them end with the letter n. Grant hasn't got a "C" in his name, consequently we shall see (C) him elected.

WORKMEN AT THE TUNNEL.—There are 534 men employed upon Hoosac tunnel.—The pay roll is about $20,000 per month.—225 men reside at the east end; 25 at the central shaft; 17 at well No. 4.; 9 at the west end; engineers, clerks, &c., number eight. Besides these B. N. Farren has 80 men at work, on the west end upon heading and masonry.

TAX ON INCOMES.—Less than a quarter of a million of persons pay an income tax in this country. This is a large number, considering the exemptions that exist, and which relieve many persons who are abundantly able to pay something. Then there are many false returns made, whereby a legion of men exempt themselves.

S. D. & H. W. SMITH'S AMERICAN ORGANS.—We have ourselves both seen and heard a large instrument of the above manufacture, which has been purchased by the Congregational Society of this place. It is a very superior instrument in the mechanical perfection of its various parts, and in the resemblance of its tones to those of a pipe organ, it is superior to any we have ever heard.—It contains 5 sets of reeds and 14 stops, and is capable of a great variety of expressions, its softest tones being beautifully sweet and pure, while the stronger tones are delightfully full and sonorous. The reeds are so voiced that there is a marked difference in the quality of the tones of each set, and by this improvement different qualities of tone can be used when desired, and when the whole are combined, a richer, grander volume of tone is produced than can be by other instruments not thus voiced. It is but just that we should say that this Organ was selected by the committee, after a careful study and trial of the most celebrated reed organs, and is believed by them to possess more of the requisite qualities to make up a good instrument than any other kind of organ manufactured. These organs are manufactured by S. D. & H. W. Smith, at Boston, Mass.

SYDNIE ADRIANCE; OR, TRYING THE WORLD.—This is the name of a new Novelet by Amanda M. Douglass, the talented author of "In Trust," "Stephen Dane," &c. It is the story of a young orphan girl's experiences. It is now being published in THE SATURDAY EVENING POST, and will run through from fifteen to twenty papers. One dollar sent to the publishers, H. Peterson & Co., Philadelphia, will secure THE POST for six months, including this and other deeply interesting stories. Single numbers 5 cents.

MRS. PARTINGTON remarked that, however much the President and Congress might differ on the country's destruction, one thing was certain, so long as the scriptures were universally dissembled, and Herrick Allen's Gold Medal Saleratus promulgated, the glorious Stars and Stripes would rave over the land of the free.

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They are given in complaints of the Uniary Organs—such as Gravel, Chronic Catarrah of the Bladder, Morbid Irritation of the Bladder and Erethia, Disease of Prostrate and Retention or Incontinence of Urine, from a loss of tone in the parts concerned in its evacuation. The remedy has also been recommended in Dyspepsia, Chronic Rheumatism, Cutaneous Affections, and Dropsy.

Hembold's Extract Buchu is used by persons from the ages of 18 to 25, and from 35 to 55, or in the decline or change of life; after Confinement or Labor Pains; Bed-wetting in children.

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[From the Rochester (N. Y.), Express, July 31, 1857.]

A Remarkable Strawberry—The Golden Queen.—Mr. J. B. CLINE, No. 8 Howell street—an extensive grower and propagator of fruits—sent us yesterday (July 22) a quart of the Golden Queen Strawberry, which is probably the last of the present season. This fruit is quite well known for its superior flavor, and we need only speak now of its other advantages—in lateness of ripening and productiveness. As it comes after most of the other berries are dried up and out of bearing, it uniformly brings a higher price, especially where its excellence has been proved. Its large size also makes it an attractive market berry, and its productiveness a most profitable variety for market. The Golden Queen has sold in this market for from 35 to 50 cents per quart; and of its productiveness, a circular issued by Mr. Cline, will be ample testimony.

Send a three-cent stamp and get one of Mr. Cline's circulars and price lists of Strawberry Plants, Grapes, Fruit and Ornamental Trees; also showing a printed cut of the Ontario Grape—single bunches weighing nearly two pounds—very juicy and sweet.

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Not Bad to Take.—Richards & Co.'s SONOMA WINE BITTERS. They keep the doctor out of the house, and invite the butcher to come in. C. A. RICHARDS & CO., 99 Washington street, Boston.

Important to Females.—The celebrated DR. DOW continues to devote his entire time to the treatment of all diseases incident to the female system. An experience of twenty-three years enables him to guarantee speedy and permanent relief in the worst cases of Suppression, and all other Menstrual Derangements, from whatever cause. All letters for advice must contain $1. Office, No. 9 Endicott street, Boston.

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Boston, June 30, 1857. 1y.

Brimstone and Molasses is the old-fashioned blood purifier. What a dose for a gentle child or a sickly lady! C. A. Richards & Co.'s SONOMA WINE BITTERS will do the work a great deal better, and is pleasant to the taste, and a delightful cordial besides. Sold everywhere.

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Dr. DOW has, no doubt, had greater experience in the cure of diseases of women than any other physician in Boston.

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Turner's Tic Douloureux or Universal Neuralgia Pill is a Safe, Certain, and Speedy Cure for Neuralgia and all Nervous Diseases. The severest cases are completely and permanently cured in a very short time. Neuralgia in the face or head is utterly banished in a few hours. No form of Nervous Disease withstands its magic influence. It has the unqualified approval of many eminent physicians. It contains nothing injurious to the most delicate system.

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Boston, July 6, 1857. sp n 1y

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The Liver Pill is *Purely Vegetable:* is Mild, yet efficient in its operation, and promotes and maintains the vital functional action of the Liver and Bowels. Taken once, twice, or three times a week, during one or two weeks, it will be succeeded by months of regular functional action.

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In Palmer, 2d, by Rev. E. M. Haynes, CHARLES N DUNCAN of Stafford Springs, Conn., and MARY N. CLARK of Palmer.

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In Holland, 28th ult., W. F. WILLIAMS, 35.

TO LET.—My up-stairs Tenement, of 7 Rooms, provided with running water. Possession given immediately. Address,
MARY K. SMITH,
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Palmer, April 4, 1868. 1w

FOR SALE.—The subscriber offers for sale a Valuable Horse, 7 years old, with double and single Harnesses, double Business Wagon, light Buggy Wagon, 2 or 3 Cows, several barrels of Vinegar Stock, and a few bushels of Red-Top Seed.
JOHN GRAVES.
Palmer, April 1, 1868. 3w

ZENAS MARSH has opened a PAINT SHOP on Bank St., under Music Hall, where he will keep constantly on hand Paints, Oils of all kinds, a nice assortment of Paper Hangings, including a new article of Wood Paper, Doors, Sash and Blinds. He will, also, attend to Painting Carriages, Dwellings, Graining, and Paper Hanging.—He employs some of the best workmen in these parts, and hopes, by strict attention to business, to merit a share of public patronage.
Ware, April 3, 1868. 3w

AT AUCTION.

A Lot of HOUSEHOLD GOODS,

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CHAIRS, TABLES, BEDSTEADS, CHAMBER SETTS, CROCKERY, &c.,

Will be sold at Auction, on Saturday, April 4th, at 2 o'clock P. M., at the former residence of Mary K. Smith, East Main St.
Palmer, April 3, 1868. MARY K. SMITH.

THORNDIKE COMPANY.—The Subscribers, being the President and a majority of the Directors of the Thorndike Company, hereby give notice that the amount of all assessments voted by the Company and actually paid in, is four hundred and fifty thousand dollars; and that the amount of all existing debts on the first day of January last, when the accounts were made up, was one hundred and thirteen thousand one hundred and fifty-one dollars and ninety-six cents.

E. P. WHITMAN, President,
EBEN WRIGHT,
HENRY SIGOURNEY, } Directors.
Boston, Mass., Feb. 26, 1868. 1w

BOSTON DUCK CO.—The Subscribers, being the President and a majority of the Directors of the Boston Duck Company, hereby give notice that the amount of all assessments voted by the Company and actually paid in is three hundred and fifty thousand dollars; and that the amount of all existing debts on the first day of January last, when the accounts were made up, was forty-five hundred and seven dollars and fifty-eight cents.

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Boston, Mass., Feb. 20th, 1868. 1w

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HAMPDEN SS. March 27, 1868. By virtue of an execution issued on a judgment in favor of Jeremiah Jenks of Belchertown, in our county of Hampshire, at a Justice Court holden at Palmer, before G. M. Fisk, Esq., a Justice of the Peace for said county, on the fifth day of March, current, I have taken all the right in equity that the said James Mahoney had, on the twenty-seventh day of January last—the day when the same was attached on mesne process, to redeem a certain mortgaged real estate laying in said Palmer, being the same land that is described in a mortgage deed thereof, from the said James Mahoney to Amasa Davis, dated January the fourth, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, and recorded in the registry of deeds for said county, book 225, page 91; to which reference may be had for a further description of the premises. And on the 27th day of April next, at two o'clock in the afternoon, at Samuel J. Bullock's hotel, in said Palmer, I shall offer for sale by public auction, to the highest bidder, said right in equity of redemption.

PARKER W. WEBSTER, Deputy Sheriff.
a 4 3w

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BRIDGMAN & WHITNEY.

Springfield, April 4, 1868. tf

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DENTIST,

Cross' Block, - - - - Palmer.
January 13, 1868. tf

WANTED.—A Good Boy, about 16 years of age, in my Drug Store. One who would like to study medicine preferred.
WM. HOLBROOK.
Palmer, March 21, 1868. tf

WANTED.—Good Potatoes for the Table, by
NICHOLS, FRENCH, & TINKHAM.
Palmer, Feb. 15, 1868. tf

PERSONS can get their Books and Magazines bound by leaving them at this office.

TO THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS Of the County of Hampden: The inhabitants of the town of Brimfield, in said county, by Henry F. Brown, Samuel Parker and Benjamin B. Fenton, a committee of said town thereto duly authorized, and the inhabitants of the town of Palmer, by Parker W. Webster, John E. Crane and William W. Cross, the selectmen of said town, thereto duly authorized, respectfully represent that the highway from near the house of Isaac King, in said Palmer, to the line of the Western Railroad, in Brimfield, is inconvenient and dangerous (especially that part of it known as "King's Bridge") to public travel.—They therefore request your Board to view said highway and bridge, and make such alterations in the same as you shall find the convenience and safety of the public require.

The inhabitants of the town of Brimfield, by
HENRY F. BROWN,
SAMUEL PARKER.

The inhabitants of the town of Palmer, by
PARKER W. WEBSTER,
J. E. CRANE,
W. W. CROSS.

March 24th, 1868.

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. HAMPDEN SS.: At a meeting of the County Commissioners, holden in Springfield, within and for said county, on the 24th day of March, in the year of our Lord 1868. And now upon the petition aforesaid, the County Commissioners, deeming a view of the premises expedient and proper, give notice that they will meet for the purpose of said view, at the dwelling-house of Isaac King, in Palmer, on Tuesday, the twenty-eight day of April next, at one o'clock, P. M.; and it is ordered by the County Commissioners that a copy of said petition be served by the Sheriff of said county or his Deputy, upon the Clerks of the towns of Palmer and Brimfield, in said county, thirty days at least before the said twenty-eighth day of April, and that all other persons and corporations interested therein be notified, by publishing a copy of said petition and this order thereon, once a week, in the Palmer Journal, a public newspaper printed in said county, three weeks successively, the last publication to be fourteen days at least before the time of said view. And it is further ordered by the Commissioners, that copies of said petition, or abstracts containing the substance thereof and this order, be posted up by said Sheriff or Deputy, in two public places in the towns of Palmer and Brimfield, fourteen days before said twenty-eighth day of April, and that notice be given in manner aforesaid to all persons and corporations interested, that the County Commissioners deem a view of the premises expedient and proper, and that a view of the same will be taken by them at the time and place aforesaid. GEO. B. MORRIS, Clerk.

True copy of the petition and order of the County Commissioners thereon. Attest,
m28 3w GEO. B. MORRIS, Clerk.

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LOWEST PRICES,

A Good Assortment of

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Also,

FLOUR, OF ALL KINDS,

SALT, GRASS SEED,

LIME, &c., &c.

Palmer, March 28, 1868. tf

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. HAMPDEN SS.: To the inhabitants of School District No. 3, in the town of Palmer, qualified to vote in town affairs, you are hereby notified and warned to meet at the School House in the Depot Village, in said District, on Monday, the sixth day of April next, at 7 o'clock, P. M., to act on the following articles, viz:

Art. 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

Art. 2. To choose all district officers for the year ensuing.

Art. 3. To see if the district will vote to raise any money to reduce the debts of the district.

Art. 4. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the expenses of the district for the ensuing year.

Art. 5. To see if the district will vote to repair their blackboards and raise money to repair the same.

Art. 6. To hear reports of committees and act thereon.

Art. 7. To choose committees and give them instructions.

Given under my hand this twenty-sixth day of March, A. D. 1868,
m28 3w GEORGE M. STACY,
Clerk of School District No. 3.

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Springfield, Mass., March 21, 1868. 7w*

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Springfield, Mass., March 21, 1868. 3m

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WILLIAM J. ROSS, Special Agent for Eastern Hampden.
Palmer, Jan. 4, 1868. 6m*

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Springfield, Mass., March 28, 1868. 3w

CANVASSERS, PEDDLERS AND OTHERS, wishing to make money and keep posted on the best selling articles of the times, will send us their address by mail. On receipt of Two Dollars we will send, prepaid, four of the best selling books ever published. Goods especially adapted for Lady canvassers.
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FOR SALE.—The subscriber offers his Farm for sale, located in the south part of Belchertown, near Jefferson White's Ax Factory. It contains Forty Acres of Good Land. Seventeen of it Wood Land. Buildings are nearly new and in good repair. For further particulars, inquire of the subscriber on the premises.
ALFRED H. SHAW
Belchertown, March 28th, 1868. 3w*

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BEAUTIFUL TRIMMINGS,

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My stock is selected with the

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I Cordially Invite the Trading Community to

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A New Stock at New Prices, consisting of

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About 9 o'clock a young gentleman, a resident of Spuyten Duyvil, Mr. N. S. Blanchard, appeared on the scene of action, and immediately comprehending the situation, coolly tied a rope about his waist, and started to wade out on the submerged pier.—He had gone but a few steps when the heavy waves dashed him from his footing into the deep water beyond. Instead of attempting to regain the pier, he bravely struck out for the spile to which the unfortunates were clinging, and at length succeeded in reaching them. Then securely tying the rope to the spile, the men in charge of the boat were enabled to draw it within reach of the sufferers, who were at once lifted in and carried to the shore, where every means were taken to recover them from their fearful state of numbness and exhaustion. Mr. Blanchard reached the shore by swimming, and being congratulated upon the success of his courageous act, disclaimed all compliment, appearing to look upon his effort as a simple act of kindness and courtesy. The gallantry of the same young man on the occasion of his father's house at Spuyten Duyvil taking fire at midnight, on one of the worst nights last winter—the coolness and judgement with which he crept through the flames and smoke, and with an ax cut away the burning window-frame, and thus saved the house from destruction—was a fitting prelude to his gallantry on the 21st.

AN INDIAN REMINISENCE.

The visit of the Ute Indians to Boston has reminded a correspondent most forcibly of a visit of the Sacs and Foxes several years ago, who came, not like the Utes, mostly in the garb of Christians, but wore simply a blanket thrown over their loins. This correspondent says:—

"There was an incident connected with the visit of the Sacs and Foxes which has never been made public. They were brought to this and other cities to show them the extent of the United States, its population, power, &c.—things of which they had a very faint idea. They received a decided ovation. The late eminent statesman and scholar, Edward Everett, was the Governor of Massachusetts at that time, and he delivered a speech in Faneuil Hall, which was translated by interpreters. The Indians, who were quartered in Concert Hall, were feted and feasted, and on one occasion a large number of city officials, with their wives and friends, were gathered in Concert Hall to see the visitors. To contribute to the enjoyment of the latter a number of little girls were brought forward to dance for their gratification. The young misses entered into the spirit of the occasion with such zest that the Indians became greatly excited. To the astonishment of everybody they jumped up and commenced dancing themselves. The people, though astonished, were delighted with the genuine Indian dance, but they were thunderstruck as the Indians (forgetting in their excitement that they were not in their native forests), threw off their blankets, and finished their dance in the nut-brown dress (entiele) which nature had given them. The ladies, however, stood it 'manfully,' and some few of them now living have told the story during the past week with an infinite relish."

PLAIN SPEECH TO MOTHERS.—Professor Simpson, of Edinburgh, who has had large and long experience in the medical treatment of mothers and children, gave a public address lately on matters of hygiene. He spoke most plainly to mothers who send their children to the grave by exposing arms and legs, while other parts of the body are warmly dressed. Mothers, he continued, commit child-murder, and then wonder how God could be so unkind as to take away their darlings. They not only murder their children, but, in his opinion, commit suicide themselves by exposing their necks to the cold air. It was a puzzle which he could not understand, that women should cut off the tops of their dresses and appear with bare bosoms, in refined society, while that part of the dress which should protect the heart and lungs, and other vital organs, is trailing in the mud.

A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF ENGLAND.—Michelet, the French author, says: "England was always a mystery to me till I visited it. I found it a great sandbank enveloped in a fog. The fog fed the grass, the grass fed the sheep, the sheep fed the men."

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And one of them is that I can't escape—
Can't vamose or travel in any shape—
For a cruel destiny pins me down
In a mean little, green little, one-horse town.

Early rising's a terrible bore,
But here they all rise at half-past four.
And if I'm late they've a regular trick
To knock and inquire if the gentleman's sick;
Breakfast half over—all in one key,
Folks hollor out, "We're waiting, you see,"
For they do up all jokes exceedingly brown,
In this mean little, green little, one-horse town.

When a letter for me in the post-office lies,
It runs a muck through the whole town's eyes,
And half a dozen stragglers come
And say, "You've a letter—it ain't from home,
The writin' is so pretty and sleek,
We think it's the gal that writ you last week."
And if you look grim they think you're a clown,
In this mean little, green little, one-horse town.

There are very nice little girls in this place,
But if you look in a pretty face
You'll find before you're at home, I guess,
That you've put the town in a roaring mess;
"Round at Belsey's last evening, hey?
What'll that gal who writes to you say?"
For all of our actions are noted down,
In this mean little, green little, one-horse town.

If in a new garment forth you go,
A wonderful interest the natives show,
And they all exclaim in the very same note,
"Now, where did you get so much new coal?"
And they lift up the tails, and collar, and guess,
If I tried, I might have got it for less;
For genius all runs into heading down,
In this mean little, green little, one-horse town.

If you don't come home before half-past eight,
They wonder what kept you out so late,
And by nine o'clock they're all in bed,
Sleeping like regular pigs of lead:
And you may as well be sleeping, too,
For never a thing besides can you do;
And in bed your cares you can always drown,
In this mean little, green little, one-horse town.

GOSSIPING.

The most prevailing fault of conversation in our country, and I believe in all social communities, is gossiping. As weeds most infest the richest soils, so gossiping most abounds amidst the social virtues in small towns where there is the most extended mutual acquaintance, where persons live in closest relations, resembling a large family circle. To disturb the sweet uses of the little communities by gossiping, is surely to forfeit the benefit of one of the kindest arrangements of Providence.

In great and busy cities, where people live in total ignorance of their neighbors, where they cannot know how they live, and hardly know when they die, there is no gossiping. But need there be this poisonous weed among the flowers—this blight upon the fruit, my young friends?

You may understand better precisely what comes under the head of gossiping, if I give you some examples of it.

In a certain small, thickly settled town there lives a family, consisting of a man, his wife, and his wife's sister. He has a little shop, it may be a jeweler's, saddler's, shoemaker's, or what we call a store—no matter which, since he earns enough to live comfortably, with the help of his wife and sister, who are noted for their industry and economy. One would think they had nothing to do but enjoy their own comforts, and aid and pity those less favored than themselves. But instead of all this, they volunteer to supervise all the sins, follies and shortcomings of their neighbors. The husband is not a silent partner. He does his full share of the low work of this gossiping trio. Go to see them when you will, you may hear the last news of every family within half a mile. For example, as follows:

"Mr. —— gave $150 for his new wagon, and he had no need of a new one; the old one has not run more than two years."

"Mrs. —— has got a new hired help, but she won't stay long; its come and go there."

"Mrs. —— had got a new gown at meeting yesterday, which makes the fifth in less than a year, and every one of the girls had new ribbons on their bonnets; it is a good thing to have rich friends, but, for my part, I had rather wear my old ribbons."

"There goes Sam Bliss' people with a barrel of flour; it was but yesterday she was at the judge's begging."

"None of the Widow Day's girls were at meeting; but they can walk out as soon as the sun is down."

This is but a specimen of the talk of these unfortunate people, who seem to have turned their home into a common sewer, through which all the sins and foibles of the neighborhood run. Have they minds and hearts? Yes, but their minds have run to waste, and there is some taint, I fear, at their hearts.

The noted gossip, Miss ——, makes a visit in a town where she has been previously a stranger. She divides her time among several families; she is social and what is miscalled agreeable, for she is perpetually talking of persons and things; she wins a too easy confidence, and returns home with an infinite store of family anecdotes. She knows that Mr. and Mrs. So and So, who are supposed to live happily, are reallly on bad terms, and that he broke the hearts of two other women before he married his wife; she knows the particulars, but she has promised not to tell. She has found out that a certain family, who, for ten years, have been supposed to live very harmoniously with a step-mother, are really eminently wretched. She has heard that Mr. ——, who, apparently, is in very flourishing circumstances, has been on the brink of bankruptcy for the last ten years—&c., &c.

Could this woman find nothing in visiting a new scene to excite her mind but such trumpery? We have given you this example to show you that the sin of gossiping pervades some communities. This woman did not create these stories; she heard them all; the individuals who told them to her little thinking that they in turn would become the subjects of similar remark to the very persons whose affairs they were communicating.

What would we think of persons who went about collecting for exhibition samples of the warts, wens and cancers with which their fellow beings were afflicted? And would not their employment be more honorable, more humane at least, than this gossip-monger.

We have heard such talk as follows between ladies, wives and mothers, the wives of educated men, and persons who were called educated women:

"Have you heard that Emma Ellis is going to Washington?"

"To Washington! How on earth can the Ellises afford a winter in Washington?"

"Oh, you know they are not particular about their debts, and they have six girls to dispose of, and find rather a dull market here."

"Have you heard the Newtons are going to the country to live?"

"Bless me!—no! What's that for?"

"They say to educate their children; but my dress-maker, Sally Smith, who works for Mrs. Newton, says she is worn out with dinner parties. He runs the house down with company.

"O, I suspect they are obliged to go to economise. You know she dresses her children extravagantly. I saw Mary Newton at the theatre, (she is not older than my Grace), with a diamond ferronier."

"Diamond, was it? Julia told me it was an aqua marine. The extravagance of some people is shocking! I don't wonder the men are out of patience! Don't tell it again, because Ned Miller told me in confidence. He actually has locked up all his wife's worked handkerchiefs. Well, whatever else my husband complains of, he can't find fault with my extravagance."

Perhaps not; but faults far more heinous than extravagance this poor woman had to account for—the *pernicious words* for which we must be brought into judgment.

I hope it may appear incredible to you, my young friends, that women, half through this short life, with a knowledge of their immortal destiny, with a world without them and a world within to explore and make acquaintance with, the delightful interests and solemn responsibilities of parents upon them, should so dishonor God's good gift of the tongue, should so waste their time and social life. But be on your guard. If your minds are not employed on higher objects, and your hearts on better things, you will talk idly about your friends and acquaintances.

The habit of gossiping begins in youth. I once attended a society of young persons, from thirteen to seventeen years of age, who met for benevolent purposes.

"Is this reading or talking afternoon?" asked one of the girls.

"Reading," replied the president; "and I have brought Percy's Reliques of English Poetry to read to you."

"Is not that light reading?" asked Julia Ivers, "these are old ballads and songs."

"Yes, I suppose it would be called light reading."

"Then I vote against it; mother don't approve of light reading."

Julia, who had the lightest of all minds, and the most voluble of tongues, preferred talking to any reading, and without loss of time she began to a knot of girls, who too much resembled her.

"Did you notice Matilda Smith, last Sunday?"

"Yes, indeed; she had on a new silk dress."

"That is the very thing I wanted to find out, whether you were taken in with it. It was nothing but her old sky-blue dyed."

"Can that be? Why she has worn it ever since she was thirteen. I wonder I did not see the print of the tacks."

"I did," interposed another of the committee of investigation. "I took a good look at it as she stood in the door. She couldn't deceive me with aunt Sally's sky-blue dress dyed black."

"I don't think Matilda would care whether you were deceived or not," said Mary Morris, the youngest member of the society, coloring up to her eyes.

"Oh! I forgot, Mary," said Julia Ivers, "that Matilda is your cousin."

"It is not because she is my cousin," replied Mary.

"Well, what is it then?"

Mary's tears dropped on her work, but she made no other reply. She had too much delicacy to proclaim her cousin's good deeds; and she did not tell how Matilda, having a small sum of money, which was to have been invested in a new silk gown, gave it instead to her "aunt Sally," who was sinking under a low indisposition, which her physician said might be removed by a journey. It was—and we believe Matilda little cared how much these girls gossiped about her dyed frock.

Julia Ivers turned the conversation by saying, "Don't you think it strange that Mr. Sandford lets Maria ride out with Walter Isbel?"

"Yes, indeed; and what is worse yet, accepts presents from him."

"Why! does she?" exclaimed Julia, staring open her eyes, and taken quite aback by another person knowing a bit of gossip which had not reached her ears.

"Yes, she does; he brought her three elegant plants from New York, and she wears a ring which he must have given her; for you know the Sandfords could not afford to buy such things; and besides they never do."

I have given but a specimen. Various characters and circumstances were discussed, till the young gossips were interrupted by a proposition from the president that the name of the society be changed; "for," as she said, "the little charities they did with their needles were a poor offset against the uncharitableness of their tongues."

There is a species of gossiping aggravated by treachery; but, bad as this is, it is sometimes committed more from thoughtlessness than malice. A girl is invited to pass a day, a week or a month it may be in a family. Admitted to such an intimacy, she may see and hear much that the family would not wish to have repeated. Circumstances often occur, and remarks are made, from which no harm would come if they were published to the world, provided what went before and came after could likewise be known, but taken out of their connection, they make a false impression. It is by relating disjoined circumstances, and repeating fragments of conversations that so much mischief is done by those admitted into the bosom of a family.

You know that with the Arabs, partaking salt is a pledge of fidelity, because the salt is a symbol of hospitality. Such a sacred gratitude for hospitality by never making any disparaging remarks about those into whose family you are received. I know persons who will say unblushingly, "I am sure that Mr. So and So is not kind to his wife; I saw enough to convince me of it when I stayed there." "Mrs. S. is very mean in her family."

"How do you know that?" "I am sure I ought to know, for I stayed a month in her house." "If you wish to be convinced that Mrs. L. has no government over her children, go and stay there a week as I did." "The B's and their step mother try to live happily together, but if you were in their family as much as I am, you would see there is no love lost between them."

Now you perceive, my young friends, that the very reason which should have sealed this gossip's lips, she adduces as the ground of your faith in her evil report.

I have dwelt long on this topic of gossiping, my young friends, because, as I said before, I believe it to be a prevailing fault in our young and social country. The only sure mode of extirpating it is by the cultivation of your minds and the purification of your hearts.

All kinds and degrees of gossiping are as distasteful to an elevated character as gross and unwholesome food is to a well trained appetite.

COLD COUNTRY.—A St. Petersburg letter says it has been so cold this winter that many cabmen have been frozen to death on their seats; the gas could not circulate; the dogs howled and whined with the pain caused by the icy ground; the horses ran away with fright; the firemen on horseback carried aid and comfort to the wounded; the Grand Dukes distributed hot tea before their palace doors; fires were lighted in the middle of many streets; nineteen persons froze to death in a single night, and the city appeared to be deserted.

A NOTABLE NEGRO.—One of the notables among the negro delegates in the South Carolina Convention is Robert Small, who made himself famous during the war by his daring escape from Charleston harbor with the steamer Planter, and delivering her to the loyal fleet. He has a large head, and is a stout built, daring, jovial-looking fellow of about five feet six inches in height, and shows characteristics more of an executive than of a legislative turn of mind

HOW LOVELY.—Southern papers are bragging over a song suited to their latitude which everybody is singing or whistling.—It is called "Beautiful Girl of the South:"

"Beautiful girl of the South,
Heart that is loving and true,
Face full of innocent smiles,
Eyes of heavenly blue."

Indeed, she must be pretty. The song is published by Peters of New York.

—Earthquakes are becoming common again in the West Indies, Porto Rico and St. Thomas sustaining their character for shakiness. Quite a number of lives have been lost.

INSIDE A COAL MINE.

Try to imagine yourself at the foot of a shaft some 600 feet in depth, great galleries or passages stretching away on every side to an apparently interminable length. Even by the light of the furnace which is burning fiercely close to where you are, you can see but a very short way along these passages, and your imagination conjures up all manner of hideous shapes out of the darkness. You see, however, that they are very low; that their walls and the wooden props supporting the roof are covered with curious white and brown fungi; that the floor is thick with mud and water, and that at short intervals there are heavy wooden doors, apparently barring your further progress, but which as you approach them are swung noislessly aside by some unseen agency.

You pass the stable—glorious realization of your childhood's dream of "Ali Baba and the Forty Thieves"—where a score of stalls are cut out of the rock, and the whole long apartment is lighted by a single flickering lamp; you step aside more than once in the galleries to make way for the long trains of small wagons or tubs which go so swiftly by you in the darkness, their approach being heralded by the songs of the lads who watch over them; and at length you reach the actual working of the pit.

Here you find the sides of the galleries composed of coal, and instead of the mud of the wagon-ways the ground is thickly coated with the dust of the black diamond. Presently you hear the stroke of the pickaxe, and then your eye rests upon a solitary miner working in the center of a small, a very small, circle of light cast by his safety-lamp He is hewing, and in the side of the gallery he has already cut a deep cavity; close to him is a tub which is waiting to be filled, and when full it will be taken by one of the lads to the head of the main wagon-way, where the tubs are gradually collected until a train has been formed, which is dispatched to the foot of the shaft, there to be hoisted to the surface.

Afterwards you see more hewers, at their lonely work, and you are told that ninety of them are at the present moment laboring in the vast silent pit, the working of which ramify for miles through the earth.

SPONGES.—It may surprise the reader to be informed that the quantity of sand he finds in a sponge has not been inclosed there, by the animal or vegetable during its growth, but is an adulteration practised by the agents and merchants who purchase the sponge from the divers, in order to increase its weight and their profit. Sand of the fineness requisite for the purpose, is mixed with water, in which there is a gelatine of gum to enable the sponges to take up and retain it the better, and without being detected afterwards; the sponges are then well kneaded into it, so as to fill up their minute pores, and dried. In this way a hundred weight of sponges in their dry state, will be so sanded as to weigh more than a ton before they are packed for exportation to Europe.

A BOY'S FIRST COMPOSITION.—Oxen is a very slow animal, they are good to break ground up. i would drather have horses if thes did n't have Kolik, wich they say is wind collected in a bunch, wich makes it dangesser for to keep horses than ox. if there was no horses the people wud have to wheal their wood in a wheal barrow. it wood take two or 3 days to wheal a cord a mile! Cows is useful to. i have herd sum say that if thay had to be tother than a ox, tha would be a cow, but i think were it cum to have thir tits pulled of a cold morning, tha would wish tha wasn't. for oxes don't gennally have to raise calves.

if i had to be enny, I wood drather be a heffar, but if i coodent be a heffar, and had to be both, i would be a ox.

A LOTTERY DUPE.—An unsophisticated German, living in Michigan, named Kautsler, having received information in a letter from New-York that he had drawn a two hundred dollar prize in a lottery located there, was green enough to believe it, and furthermore, being short of means, walked from his home to Toledo, Ohio, a distance of 300 miles, and from thence went to Washington, D. C., where he was told the drawing took place, but learning nothing of his prize, he finally reached New York only to find that he had been chasing a veritable phantom. He is now wending his way home to Michigan, a wiser and poorer man for his "prize drawd in lottery."

ONLY A FEW EARTHQUAKES.—Cholera, tornadoes, and yellow fever are no longer to be had at St. Thomas. A few earthquakes are yet on hand, and can be had low if applied for soon—a handsome deduction made to this country, should it take the lot.

CAUGHT BY A DOG.—A Philadelphia policeman pursued a rogue, but was unable to catch him. A dog with the officer at the time was more fortunate, and, seizing the fugitive by the leg, held him fast until help arrived.

—When Hadlox's wife kicked him out of bed, said he: "Look o' here, now, you'd better not do that again; if you do it will cause a coldness in the family."

Taxation.

[Some one, who evidently favors the proposed reduction of internal revenue taxes, has written the following:]

"They are taxed on their clothing, their meat and their bread,
On their carpets, their dishes, their table and bed,
On their tea and their coffee, their fuel and lights;
They are taxed so severely they can't sleep o'nights.

They are taxed on their offices, stores and their shops,
On their stoves, on their washtubs, their brooms and their mops,
On their shrouds and their tombstones; and, after they die,
They are taxed on the coffins in which they must lie.

They are stamped on their mortgages, notes, checks and bills,
On their deeds, on their contracts, and on their last wills;
And the 'Star Spangled Banner' in mourning doth wave
O'er the wealth of the nation stamped into the grave.

They are taxed on the goods by kind Providence given—
They are taxed on the Bibles that point them to Heaven;
And when they ascend to their heavenly goal,
They would, if they could, stick stamps on their souls.

THE EXTRA TICKET.

When the opera of the "Prophet" was first brought out in Paris, so great was the demand for seats, that tickets were at a most extravagant premium. One night a young military officer, who had just made an unsuccessful application for a ticket at the box office, and was about to fall back in despair, was dextrously relieved of his watch by a pickpocket. Detecting the thief before he had time to escape he recovered the stolen time-piece without the interposition of a policeman. Then, taking the culprit aside, he entered into conversation with him.

"You are an expert in your profession," he said, "and I desire now to avail myself of your skill."

"Monsieur le Captaine may command me to the utmost of my abilities," said the sharper.

"Then," whispered the officer, "go immediately and relieve some gentleman of his opera ticket, and I will pay you one hundred francs for it. No hesitation; be quick; the money is ready!"

"It shall be done," was the sharper's business-like answer.

In three minutes the adroit rascal returned with an elegant card case, containing four opera tickets, together with a number of cards having the name of Mademoiselle Solange Dudevant entered upon them.

"Wretch!" exclaimed the captain, "you have been robbing a lady."

"No, indeed, sir," replied the thief.—There is my victim."

As the sharper made this nonchalant reply, he pointed to a rosy-cheeked young gentleman in a black dress coat, black tights and white vest, with plain flat gilt buttons and white kid gloves, who was engaged in an animated conversation with a couple of young ladies just within the vestibule.

"Dolt!" exclaimed the captain, "that is a lady dressed en cavalier. It is Mademoiselle Solange Dudevant herself. Return the article immediately."

"Monsieur is right," said the pickpocket. "No one but a brute would knowingly rob a lady, especially when that lady is the daughter of George Sand, whom we all love so well. Excuse me, monsieur; rely upon it, I will yet succeed in procuring you a ticket."

In an instant the sharper placed himself before Mademoiselle Solange with a profound bow.

"Begging Mademoiselle's pardon, she had the misfortune to drop her card case."

"As to that, Mademoiselle," said the sharper, "permit me humbly to suggest that you have four tickets for the grand entertainment in your case, whereas your party consists of only three persons."

"You then would like to have the extra ticket?" asked the lady.

"Exactly so, Mademoiselle," blandly replied the sharper.

"You are quite welcome to it," returned the lady.

The sharper took the ticket to the young officer, who, having noticed the manner in which it was obtained, did not hesitate to receive it, and hand him over the promised hundred francs.

On taking his seat in the opera house the captain found himself elbow to elbow with Mademoiselle Dudevant, with whom he was well acquainted. He frankly explained to her the equivocal process by which he had procured his ticket, and the lady laughed at the trick of which she was the unconscious victim.

MEDITATION.—Reflection and meditation allay the workings of many unquiet passions, and place us at a distance from the tumults of the world. When the mind has either been rusted or cast down, in an intercourse with God and heaven we find a sanctuary to which we can retreat. In the hours of contemplation and devotion a good man enjoys himself in peace. He beholds nobler objects than what mere worldly men can behold. He assumes a higher character.

DO NOT THROW AWAY YOUR OLD MILK PANS.—When milk pans become leaky, don't throw them away, but cut off the bottoms and re-bottom them; it will not cost half as much as a new pan, and will be just as good as new.

—Wm. Snore, once affianced to Florence Nightingale, died in Wisconsin, the other day.

SIXTY YEARS IN A CAGE.

The papers announce the death of Josiah Spaulding the maniac pauper of Buckland, whose sad case has been often referred to by the press. Mr. Spaulding was the only son of the minister of the Congregational Church in Buckland, who died in 1823.

Josiah was his only son. Just as he was nearly ready for college being twenty-one years of age, he became violently and hopelessly deranged. The first public outbreak of insanity was at church on Sunday, while his father was at prayer, when he suddenly threw the psalm book at his mother's head.

For nearly two years he was not confined, until his father's life had repeatedly been endangered by his violence, when he was restrained with chains for a couple of years, and then was placed in a strong cage in the garret of the house, from which he never came forth alive. No clothing could be kept upon him; but in severe weather he would allow himself to be covered with a blanket, which lasted until his propensity for destruction became stronger than his fear of the cold. His cage was not high enough for him to stand erect, and he remained constantly in a sitting posture, leaning back against the timber where he slept. His limbs could not be straightened, his hair was never trimmed, and for his cleanliness, he received only the attention given to a poorly kept animal.

In fact, he lost the appearance of a human being, nearly lost the faculty of speech, and for many years before his death became wholly demented and idiotic. For some years before the death of his parents, their poverty compelled them to throw their only son upon the town, where rigid penuriousness toward the poor was the law of public opinion. Thus he lived for 60 years, and thus died, one of the "chronic insane poor." We find no record in the medical journals of so long a period of insanity. The longest period noted by French writers, and that in hospital, is 56 years.—He died at the age of 81.

DARK SIDE OF LITERARY LIFE.

The miserable life of Savage, and the equally miserable life of Poe, were due, perhaps, mainly to the lack of moral principles in the men; but there are instances, even in modern days, of the scantiness of reward of modern authors. Alphonse Karr wrote his first novel (popular in France even yet), and sold it to a publisher for 1,200 francs ($240), and two promissory notes for the amount. The notes were never paid. Another French writer of reputation, Sandeau, received for novels 600 francs, one half in wafers. Berauger, from whose works his publishers netted 500,000 francs, received an annuity of less than $160. However, Berauger had few wants, and was so content that it was with difficulty his publishers could get him to take the money when they raised his annual pension to 3,000 francs. The older authors suffered more than the younger. Thus, Spenser was always in want; Corneille had an old age of misery; Tasso had to borrow small amounts of silver at one time to procure food; Cameons, the great Portuguese poet, died in a hospital; Ockley, the author of a famous "History of the Saracens," passed a great part of his life in a debtor's prison; Vamlel, the most illustrious poet in Holland, died in poverty; Cervantes was miserably poor; Zylander sold a manuscript work for a dinner; the fate of Chatterton is universally known; and Vangelas, before he closed a life of wretchedness, left his dead body to the surgeons for the benefit of his creditors.

—There is a little town in Vermont, where the people have considerable fun with their "fence viewers." One of the officers weighs three hundred pounds, another is six feet eight inches tall, and the third is extremely small. It was recently voted that all the fences on which the fat man could sit, which the tall man couldn't straddle, nor the little one crawl through, should be deemed legal fences.

—The presence of a log eight inches in diameter in the highway near Ludlow Village, Vt., is likely to cost that town $1250, that being the amount decreed by the County Court. An appeal has been taken.

—Some one, looking at a rich man, said: "Poor man, he toiled day and night until he was forty to gain his wealth, and he has been watching it day and night, ever since, for his victuals and clothes.

—A young lady lately appeared in male attire at St. Louis, and one of the editors says that her disguise was so complete she might have passed for a man had she had a little more modesty.

—"Who owns the city of New York today?" asked Mr. Beecher, in his sermon of last Sunday night, and his prompt reply to his own query was, "The Devil."

—A certain doctor asked Diogones which he thought was the best way to die. "Surely," he replied, "you might have learned that much from your patients."

—The happiest life on earth, Luther used to say, is with a pious, good wife, in peace and quiet, contented with a little, and giving God thanks.

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RETURNS from the election held in Michigan on Monday, indicate that the new Constitution (containing the negro suffrage clause) has been defeated by from three to four thousand majority. The result on the question of prohibition, which was submitted as a separate proposition, is still in doubt; but the temperance men have hopes of carrying it by a very small majority.

A BOLD assassination took place at Ottowa, Canada, on Monday evening. The victim was D'Arcy McGee, a member of the House of Commons. He was shot in the head while standing on the steps of his hotel. A Fenian named Wheelan has been arrested, charged with the murder, and several other Fenians are under arrest, as his accomplices. There is great excitement in Canada, growing out of the assassination.

SHOULD the President be impeached, he would not be disfranchised or rendered ineligible to any office, as some people suppose. He would simply be disqualified from holding "any office of honor, trust or profit under the United States." He can go back to Tennessee and become an "alderman of a village" again, or mayor of a city, if the people of his State are willing; but he can never step beyond the bounds of State politics.

THE new license bill has passed to a third reading in the Senate, and may be considered as good as settled. Another bill for the better enforcement of the laws, which abolishes the State Constabulary and gives the Governor power to call upon the sheriffs, has passed the Senate to be engrossed. The judiciary committee have reported in the House an amendment to the constitution, which provides for the appointment of the attorney-general, district attorneys and sheriffs by the Governor.

THOSE Southern desperadoes known as the Kuk-lux klan, are committing shocking crimes and barbarities upon the colored people and northern whites in Tennessee, Georgia and Alabama. Murders are frequent. Col. Ashburn, of Columbus, Ga., an unflinching Union man, was murdered in his bed at midnight, Monday last, by a party of this klan. Rebel newspapers are mysteriously hinting at bloody deeds, and General Meade has issued a proclamation warning the members of this organization against repeating their crimes.

IT seems a little singular that the Chief Justice sitting in the impeachment trial should vote when a tie occurs in the Senate. She Senate is the jury, and the Justice acts as judge, and it is not common for judges to vote with the jury. The right, however, in the case of the Justice, has been conceded, and he will continue to give the casting vote whenever the Senate has a tie vote. This being the first impeachment trial the country has ever had, it will not be strange if some blunders are committed in the process of trial. We shall learn how such things should be done by the time this trial is over.

HOWEVER much the enemies of General Butler may affect to despise his efforts in the impeachment trial, he is showing himself to be the head and front of the managers, and the most difficult person for the counsel of the defence to deal with. His points are sharp, cutting and effective, while his replies are as ready as they are telling. His renown as a criminal lawyer in Massachusetts will not suffer in this trial. Impeachment has been his theme from the opening of Congress, and his whole heart is in the enterprise. If the President is not impeached it will not be for a lack of effort on the part of Gen. Butler.

THE Legislature of this State has been trying to make railroad corporations liable for damages in case their employees are killed or injured. The proposition seems preposterous. As well might manufacturers, farmers and others be held responsible for the sickness or injury of their help. But we find that the Common Pleas Court at Indianapolis has just given a verdict of $2,500 against the Columbus, Chicago and Indiana Railroad, on which an engineer was killed by the explosion of an engine. That may do for Indiana, where wives and husbands are easily divorced, and thieves, robbers and murderers find protection, but it won't do for Massachusetts to make such laws at present.

THE Managers of Impeachment closed their case on Saturday. Some testimony was introduced to show that the President had recognized the validity of the Tenure of Office act in changing the form of commissions issued to civil officers, and had even formally announced the suspension of Secretary Stanton as having been done under the authority of that act, in a letter to Secretary McCulloch. No one who has followed the trial fails to see that the Managers have made out a very compact and perfect case. The President's counsel asked and obtained three day's time to prepare their evidence, and the Senate adjourned till Thursday. At the opening for the defense, Thursday morning, two new witnesses were put in by the prosecution, after which Judge Curtis commenced his argument for the defense, which was not finished till Friday.

—Hon. H. L. Dawes, M. C., from this district, has our thanks for garden seeds from the department of Agriculture. Also, for many public documents.

"Rejected Papers."

A few weeks ago James M. Shute, a late commissioner of the Hoosac Tunnel, sent to the House of Representatives several papers in regard to the Tunnel, which were rejected on the ground of personalities which they contained. These papers have now been published, and we are let into some of the secrets of the tunnel programme, which should open the eyes of the legislature and the people of the Commonwealth to the recklessness with which the work is carried on. Mr. Shute tells us that he resigned because Alvah Crorker, another of the Commissioners, was carrying on things with a looseness and selfishness that were disgraceful. While the work is delayed by this management, parties in North Adams, Greenfield, and Fitchburg, including Mr. Crocker, are reaping large harvests from appropriations made for the tunnel. Mr. Shute talks very plainly about the matter, accusing Mr. Crocker of untruthfulness, &c., and says he can substantiate it. At the rate things are going on at the tunnel, Mr. Shute thinks the work cannot be completed during the present generation. Good workmen are turned away and poor ones substituted, to gratify Mr. Crocker's spleen or avarice. We hope the legislature will look into the matter, but have no hope that the outrage inflicted upon the Commonwealth will be abated so long as the members are lobbied and feted into voting all the money that is asked for. Mr. Shute's plan was to let the work to private parties; but Mr. Crocker preferred to carry it on by the commissioners, feathering his own nest by the operation, and making very slim progress with the tunnel. There is no doubt that grave impositions have been practiced upon the State, but for one of the commissioners to become a party to these fraudulent transactions is a crying outrage. If what Mr. Shute says is true, Mr. Crocker should be compelled to resign at once. At any rate, the charges made ought to be investigated, that the people may know the real state of the case.

Connecticut.

It is not safe to prophesy on Connecticut elections, however promising the prospects may be. That the State is honestly Republican there can be no doubt, but the cities can bring to their aid fraudulent voters from New York and elsewhere, so as to overbalance the majorities in the small towns on the popular vote. This was the case last Monday, when Gov. English was reelected by about 1600 majority, being an increase of over 700 from his majority of last year. The election, however, gave to the Democracy only the executive department. The senate stands 12 Republicans to 9 Democrats, a gain of one from last year, and the House 130 Republicans to 108 Democrats, a gain of five to the Republicans. This result secures a Republican U. S. Senator for six years from the 4th of March next, in place of James Dixon, the Johnsonized member, now holding a seat. The fact that 500 fraudulent votes were found on the lists at New Haven indicates that the game was played in other cities by the Democrats to secure success. In November these imported voters will be needed at home, and the Nutmeg State may show a different result in its vote for President.

WINTER does not yield its grasp upon us so readily. It came down upon us again Saturday night in the shape of several inches of snow, which Boreas took up Sunday morning and blew about with the fierceness of a giant. It was a blustering, uncomfortable day. The wind roared like a March lion—steeples rocked, sign-boards creaked, dimity and calico fluttered, and men and women held on their hats as they struggled back and forth to church. And this was not all—another snow-storm came on Tuesday, and the weather has continued severely wintry, squally and disagreeable during the week. But the sun shines kindly again, and we have the evidence that "Spring comes slowly up this way."

TWO SHOCKING ACCIDENTS.—On Sunday of week before last, Andrew Peak, of Stamford, Vt., went out to do his chores about dark, and not returning, his father went in search of him, and on opening the barn door a most shocking spectacle met his sight—his son lying under the feet of one of the horses, with his stomach crushed in, and his head terribly mutilated. He lived only a few minutes after being found.—A child of John Cooper, of Albany, Me., was scalded to death in a shocking manner about a week ago. It either pulled a kettle of hot water from the stove on to itself, or fell into the water in such a manner as to literally cook the lower part of its body. It lived about twelve hours after it was scalded, but was so paralyzed that it did not seem to suffer such excruciating pain as it otherwise would, under different circumstances.

ATROCIOUS AFFAIR.—As Mrs. Coates, of Trenton, N. J., was returning home from New York a few days since, an unknown man in the car shook a handkerchief, impregnated with a pungent smell, over her face, by which she was instantly rendered unconscious. She ran out of the car, after a struggle, and jumped off just as the train was stopping at Rahway, and was running wildly up the track when secured. Her money was taken from her person, and a violent effort was made to pull a heavy gold ring from her finger. Her dress was cut and torn—the bosom and pockets being cut open by the thief or thieves. It is considered doubtful if she ever recovers from the effects of the chloroform.

WHO WROTE IT?—The song "Tramp, tramp, tramp," was composed by a prisoner confined in the Iowa Penitentiary, and was first written on the walls of his cell with charcoal. It has netted the publishers thousands of dollars, but not a cent to the writer.

—About fifty men employed by the Boston and Albany Railroad corporation, to load and unload freight at the station in Boston, struck on Saturday last for 25 cents per day extra pay. The company refused.

ALL SORTS OF THINGS.

THE maple sugar crop is very large.

—Gen. Grant is said to favor impeachment.

—Wendell Philips is opposed to Grant for President.

—Bank robberies are the order of the day. They get large hauls sometimes.

—A "leading journal" says, "Lake Michigan is clear of water." Where has it gone to?

—The reports heretofore sent regarding the landing of slaves on the island of Cuba are unquestionably greatly exaggerated.

—About one hundred workmen were thrown out of employment by the fire at Subattus, Me. The loss is estimated at from $12,000 to $20,000; covered by insurance.

—A letter from Vermont says the run of maple sap for the last two weeks has been greater than ever before known.

—It is reported that the two railway kings, Vanderbilt and Drew, had an interview on Saturday last, but parted without coming to any favorable understanding.

—At the present day the standing armies of the world are larger than they have been since the great wars of the first Napoleon.

—Horses' tails are worth from one to two dollars in the New York market, for the purpose of being manufactured into hair cloth.

—The business of fitting ships for whaling voyages has commenced in New Bedford.

—The Postmaster General has awarded contracts for nearly two thousand mail routes.

—The Prince of Wales is to visit Ireland next week. The Dublin papers publish an extensive programme of the entertainments contemplated in honor of the occasion.

—The German Committee in New York have transmitted $5000 for the alleviation of their fellow countrymen suffering from famine in the eastern provinces of Prussia.

—The reports of Indian troubles between Cheyenne and Fort Laramie are not confirmed by the military authorities.

—The Virginia Reconstruction Convention has voted to issue certificates of indebtedness to pay the expenses of the Convention.

—21,389 emigrants have arrived in New York up to April 1st, this year—932 less than last year during the same months.

—The Libby Prison has been sold at auction.—Like Sumter, it is being chipped to pieces by relic-hunters.

—There are now forty-four post offices in New York under the charge and control of women regularly appointed as postmasters.

—Uri Bradford, of South Egremont, Mass., hung himself recently because he had been made blind by an accident.

—Tar is being burned in the streets of Jackson, Miss., to prevent cholera and epidemic fevers.

—Fresh green peas from Florida are offered for sale in the New York market. New turnips from South Carolina are already in plentiful supply.

—A new plate border, unlike any heretofore used, is being prepared at the Treasury Department, said to be in anticipation of a new loan not yet authorized by Congress.

—Twenty-six divorces were granted at the recent term of the Supreme Court in Knox county, Me.

—The widow of a Rhode Island law Judge has received $5000 from the State, in consideration of the fact that her husband shortened his days by his assiduous devotion to his judicial duties.

—Thirty-five days of consecutive rain in New Zealand during the past winter have caused a veritable "deluge," involving an immense amount of damage.

—Blue coats with brass buttons for evening dress are again to become fashionable in England.

—Some statistician has ascertained that the lightning is so ungallant as to strike more women every year than men.

—It is estimated that emigrants are going to Wisconsin at the rate of a thousand a week.

—About six thousand persons, of both sexes, are employed in cleaning the streets of Paris. The daily wages of the men average about 50 cents; of the women 10.

—The farmers in the West are said to be beginning to plant forest trees on their prairie lands, as a protection for their dwellings against the cold northern blasts in winter.

—Professor William Smythe, the distinguished mathematical scholar, who has been so many years connected with Bowdoin College, died very suddenly on Saturday, at his residence in Brunswick, Me.

—Miss Hosmer receives $10,000 in gold for her statue of Beaton. The statue is in bronze, weighs three and a half tons, and is 10 feet high.

—The death of Phineas H. Young, son of Brigham Young, is announced by Salt Lake City papers.—He was an excellent painter, it is reported, and aged only twenty years.

—Geo. T. Hoagland, of Omaha, while out gunning near the Elkhorn, the other day, brought down seventeen wild geese—firing right and left.

—A fellow named Smith was tarred and feathered in Demopolis, Ala., last week, for having married a negro woman.

—In Waterbury, Ct., a revival greater than any in half a century is in progress. As many as 200 persons had, on one occasion, signified their desire for the prayers of Christians.

—It is stated that the many fail-schools "nailed" in the newspapers during the past two months has given quite an impetus to the hardware trade.

—The peach trees in Southern Illinois are now in full blossom, and the gardeners there promise ripe strawberries in about three weeks.

—At Peoria, Ill., a hog ran into a house and seized an infant from a cradle and ran off with it. The animal was about devouring the babe when the mother and a few neighbors drove it off.

NOT A PLEASANT "PERFORMANCE."—Thomas Poole, employed in a brush factory at Florence, Mass., a few days since playfully put his foot into a belt hanging from a revolving shaft, saying as he did so, "The performance will now commence." The words were scarcely out of his month when he was caught up by the belt and seen whirling around the shafting, which was revolving at the rate of 150 times a minute.—Both arms were broken, and he suffered a number of other serious injuries.

FARRAGUT FOR PRESIDENT.—The Democrats of New Hampshire, it is said, are talking of nominating Admiral Farragut for the Presidency. If they can't get him they will support the candidate "whose views are most like his." That means they will support Grant. If the Democrats throughout the country don't make haste to agree upon some candidate, it will make no difference who they nominate. Grant will be quite certain to get half their votes.

NEW GOVERNOR OF VIRGINIA.—General Henry H. Wells was on Saturday appointed Governor of Virginia, by Gen. Schofield, in place of Gov. Pierpont, whose term expired in January, but to whom, under the reconstruction acts, no successor could be elected by the people. Gen. Wells was originally from Michigan.

ARRESTED.—The Treasury Department has received advices from Brownsville, Texas, that frauds have recently been perpetrated, and that nearly all the custom-house officers have been arrested and a number of indictments found against them.

A SAD CASE.—A young married girl, aged thirteen, whose husband is in the penitentiary for stealing chickens, was arrested last week in Poughkeepsie, N. Y., for prostitution. A sad case, truly.

PALMER AND VICINITY.

CALICO.—A calico ball was announced for last evening at the Antique House.

SOLD.—John and James O. Hamilton have sold their farm in this town to Edward Ashworth. Price $5000.

THE Academy at Wilbraham is attended by three colored students. There are no respecters of color there.

HAVING had a siege of the mumps at the State Primary School, the children are now suffering from the measles. A number of fatal cases have occurred.

THE Methodist Society at Four Corners are supplied with a pastor for the present year, in the person of Rev. Andrew P. Aiken, late teacher in the Fort Plain Institute, N. Y.

REMOVALS.—Dr. Hazen has removed his office from Journal Block to the "Brooklyn side" of the railroad, and J. H. Blair has removed his law office from that locality to the office lately occupied by Dr. Lyon.

SOCIETY OFFICERS.—The Baptist Society held its annual meeting Monday evening, and elected Lyman Dimock, Enos Calkins and F. M. Eager, society committee, and A. W. Briggs clerk, treasurer and collector. It is proposed to raise the salary of their pastor to $1000.

DISTRICT NO. 3.—At the annual school meeting in this village, Monday evening, James Gamwell was chosen moderator, G. M. Stacy clerk and treasurer, and A. A. Gamwell prudential committee. It was voted to raise $500 to apply on the school debt and $600 to pay outstanding bills.

LUDLOW.—Lyman Pease, of Ludlow, a young man 28 years of age, was shot in a house of ill-fame at Springfield, Wednesday night. He broke open the door, and received a bullet through the lungs from a pistol in the hands of Mrs. Caroline King. The wound will probably prove fatal.

BELCHERTOWN.—Michael Kullihan was before Justice Dickinson on Friday, last week, charged with an assault upon Dennis Sullivan, said assault consisting in beating him and cutting his face in a shocking manner. Kullihan was fined $30 and costs, which he paid and went his way rejoicing.

WE take pleasure in calling the attention of our readers to the advertisement of Messrs. Edwards & Co., of Southbridge. It will amply pay reading, and their prices are much below the market rates. We understand that they attended the great sale of A. T. Stewart and Claflin & Co., which in a measure accounts for the low prices. We advise our readers to give them a call.

"THERE WERE PROPHETS IN THOSE DAYS."—A correspondent calls our attention to some local predictions made on the opening of the year, several of which have come to pass, viz: The election of new town officers, an abridgement of appropriations, the removal of the town safe "nearer the depot," and the occurrence of "two (political) failures." Our prophet had better try his hand again.

BAD REPORTS.—Scandalous stories have been for some time circulated concerning a father and his two daughters living just over the Palmer line in Wilbraham, which, for the sake of decency and humanity, we hope are not correct. Report has it that he has been living in incestuous intimacy with the daughters since the death of their mother, nearly two years ago. A few weeks since a child was born to the oldest girl, and in about a week it died and was buried in the door yard. It is said that the girl charges the paternity of the child upon her father. People in the neighborhood are considerably excited over the matter, and an investigation is talked of.

LOCAL TOWN ELECTIONS—*Wilbraham.*—Clerk and treasurer, Francis E. Clark; selectmen, Francis J. Warner, Wm. H. Lyman and John W. Langdon; assessors, F. K. Lathrop, Mortimer Pease and D. Austin Atchinson; school committee for three years, Dr. James M. Foster, for two years, Rev. William Toulmin; constables, F. K. Lathrop and Henry Clark; tax collectors, George W. Tupper and Francis B. Firnin. Appropriations—for schools $2000, paupers $1500, highways and bridges $1500, contingencies $1000, interest $500, repairing Boston road $300, town debt $2000; total, $8800. A motion to abolish the school district system was sharply contested, but was finally carried by one majority.

Warren.—Clerk and treasurer, S. E. Blair; selectmen, Wm. A. Patrick, S. N. Gleason and C. L. Carter; overseers of the poor, T. H. Jones and Joseph Ramsdell; assessors, W. B. Ramsdell, Franklin Drury and S. E. Blair; school committee for three years, Rev. A. H. Somes; tax collector, W. L. Rivers; constable, William Combs.—Appropriations—for schools $4500, highways and bridges $1800, paupers $2000, discount on taxes $2000, reduction of town debt $5000, contingencies $4000; total, $19,300.

MONSON.—The spring term of the Monson Academy commenced on Wednesday of last week with fair prospects.——At the town meeting last Monday, Rev. Charles Hammond was chosen school committee, in place of Rev. Mr. Sumner, declined. The appropriations of the town for schools, highways and town expenses were $11,000. The several constables were chosen tuant officers under the new code of by-laws recently adopted by the town. Austin Fuller, Dwight King, Eli N. Fay, D. G. Potter and Joshua Tracy were chosen committee to see that the plans of repairs (per specification of County Commissioners) for the road leading to Palmer, and the road in the northern part of the town, were complied with, and to attend to the letting out of the roads, etc. The matter of a fire engine was passed over, as was also the "lock-up;" thus Monson is liable to fine for not conforming to the law in this respect. The meeting was adjourned till the first Monday in June, at 2½ p. m.——Munn & King, in Barton's Block, fully maintain the reputation of their predecessors in keeping *good* articles in the grocery and provision line, and have filled up with a fresh stock of family groceries. They are also well supplied with choice cuts and roasts in the market department. It is seldom that a country town finds a first class market, equal to city markets, and their efforts to cater to the public wants are being duly appreciated, judging from the piles of meat and provisions which they are daily disposing of.——Andrew A. Warriner and Omer Pease were drawn as jurymen for the next term of the Supreme Court, to be holden in Springfield the fourth Tuesday in May.——The debt of the town is $17,518; whole number of paupers supported at the town farm the past year, 25.

SHE POISONED HIM.—In Hudson City, N. Y., on Wednesday, a young woman named Margaret Ryan was brought before the court accused of poisoning her lover, James Dris. It appears that on Saturday last, while Dris was visiting her house, Miss Ryan told him to shut his eyes, and then put what he describes as a small ball in his mouth, which he swallowed, thinking it candy. The next day he was taken ill, and gradually grew worse until death put an end to his agony. Margaret is held for trial.

A SEVERE SENTENCE.—A corporal named Henderson, attached to the garrison at Columbia, S. C., who was tried by court-martial and found guilty of striking Col. Guenther, while on duty, was sentenced by the court to be reduced to the ranks, drummed out of camp, to have his head shaved, to forfeit all pay, and to be imprisoned three years at hard labor in Fort Macon; and during the term of his imprisonment to wear a ball weighing 32 pounds, attached to a 36 inch chain.

CONVENTIONS IN MAY AT CHICAGO.—On May 19th the Soldiers' National Convention will be convened in Chicago. On the 20th, the Republican National Convention will be held. On the same day the National Convention of Woolgrowers and Manufacturers will take place. On the 21st of May the General Conference of the Methodist Denomination of the United States will be held, and in it will be represented 10,460 churches, embracing no less than 2,000,000 communicants.

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE IN VERMONT.—A destructive fire occurred in Rutland on Thursday morning, 2d inst., destroying the Franklin House, the Court House, Owen's store, Stafford's store, and the building formerly occupied by Messrs. Chaffee & Harger. The loss is estimated at about $1,000, partially covered by insurance. Two or three persons were injured in getting out of the hotel.

THE POPE TO BE PROTECTED.—The Roman correspondent of the Pall Mall Gazette says he is positively assured on good authority that France and Prussia have concluded a convention by which those powers agree, whatever their own relations with each other, that they will maintain the independence of the Holy See and the integrity of its present territory.

STRUCK BY LIGHTNING.—A heavy thunder storm passed over the south part of Worcester county Fast Day afternoon. In Charlton the Universalist Church was struck by lightning, which passed down the rod in the spire till it reached the basement, where it tore up the door and benches, and made a general wreck.

ANOTHER UNFORTUNATE.—Flora Morton, daughter of a woman who keeps a house of disrepute in Utica, N. Y., committed suicide by shooting herself with a pistol. She was 18 years of age, and had frequently threatened to take her own life. Her depraved and sad condition seems to have influenced her mind to the act.

DROWNED.—On Sunday morning twelve negroes were drowned in the Potomac, off Avandale fishing shore, by the capsizing of a boat, during the late gale. Two fishing boats were wrecked outside Goderich harbor, Canada, on Saturday evening last, and five men were drowned.

THE COMING WHEAT CROP.—The reports from all parts of Illinois and Southern Wisconsin are to the effect that the winter wheat passed through the cold weather successfully, and promises an immense harvest. Spring wheat has also been sown in great abundance.

STEAM MAN.—The steam-man is to walk for a wager. He is to tramp from New York City to Albany. A gentleman has wagered $1000 that he cannot go the distance without breaking down. The friends of the steam-man are confident that he will win.

HUNG HIMSELF.—Ezra Shepherd, a respectable farmer of Jamaica, Vt., 50 years of age, committed suicide by hanging last Friday, on account of domestic troubles. He leaves no family except a divorced wife. His father hung himself fifteen years previous.

AN APRIL JOKE.—A first of April report which was published by a Washington journal, that Minister Burlingame had arrived with a fleet of junks, and that he was to be presented on Wednesday, attracted a large crowd to the White House.

FLOURISHING.—The shoe trade of Lynn is flourishing, and manufacturers find it difficult to keep pace with their orders, though employing every resource at their command. The demand comes largely from the West and South.

DEATH BY HYDROPHOBIA.—A man named Massaere died in East Newark, N. J., last week in frightful convulsions from hydrophobia. He was bitten two months ago by his dog, which was killed, and the wound apparently healed up.

STRIKES.—There are numerous strikes among mechanics for higher wages, generally brought about by a reduction of pay. The employers are more independent than formerly, and the strikers generally get the worst of it.

AN ALBINO DEAD.—Henry Platte, of Port Jefferson, who, with his brother, have been figuring at Barnum's Museum, until its destruction, as the Albino children, died in New York city on Saturday last.

RECONCILED.—It is said that Gen. Grant and Gen. Butler have become reconciled, through the intervention of Geo. Wilkes.—Two such prominent men as Grant and Butler cannot afford to remain political enemies. The real cause of their enmity is said to have been the result of a misunderstanding.

SCHOOLS AT THE SOUTH.—Dr. Sears, President of the Peabody educational fund, is in Charleston, S. C., and intends to establish in that city quite a number of primary schools to be placed in charge of female teachers, including schools for colored children.

CHARGED WITH BRIBERY.—A responsible member of the New York Assembly has squarely charged that certain members of the Legislature were bribed to vote in a certain way in the Drew-Vanderbilt railroad war.

ACQUITTED.—Ryderson, the murderer of Chief Justice Stough of New Mexico, has been acquitted in Denver.

Persons and Politics.

The Cook County (Ill.) Democratic Convention unanimously indicated Pendleton as their choice for the Presidency.

Ohio Democrats do not like the present Adjutant-General of the State, and to get rid of him they propose to pass an act in the legislature abolishing the office. Having got rid of him, they can then reestablish it and appoint a Democrat.

The Democrats of Londonderry, N. H., supported a colored man for one of their town officers at the recent election. The Republicans did not vote for him, and so he was defeated.

In Virginia, in 1851, a woman was indicted, tried, and sentenced to two years' imprisonment, for teaching a slave to read. The indictment read as follows:

"And the said ——, not having the fear of God before her eyes, but moved and instigated thereto by the devil, did teach a certain negro woman to read the Bible, to the great displeasure of Almighty God, etc."

This was a Democratic indictment, under a Democratic law, in a Democratic State. The same spirit opposes equal suffrage now.

Minister Bancroft is about to enter into negotiations for a Prusso-American commercial treaty.

The Republicans of the Ninth Congressional District met by delegates at Washington Hall, Greenfield, Saturday afternoon, and elected as delegates to the Chicago Convention in May, Alfred R. Field, of Greenfield, and David H. Merriam, of Northampton, with William B. Hale, of Northampton, and Col. George W. Sawyer, of Templeton, as substitutes. The resolutions of the Worcester Convention, nominating Grant and Wilson for President and vice-President were affirmed.

RADICAL RESTORATION.—Its effects are permanent. It not only restores the color of the hair, but the quantity and natural glossiness. This is said by every one using Mrs. S. A. ALLEN'S IMPROVED (*new style*) HAIR RESTORER OR DRESSING, (*in one bottle*). Every Druggist sells it. Price One Dollar.

THOSE who suffer from coughs, colds, bronchitis, croup, influenza, or whooping cough, will find sure relief in Dr. Wistar's Balsam of Wild Cherry, which has now been in use for nearly half a century, and still maintains its long established reputation as the great remedy for all diseases of the throat, lungs, and chest.

"O, World! so few the years we live,
Would that the life which thou dost give
Were life indeed."

What a sorry dyspeptic the poor fellow must have been who wrote those lines. With health attuning every nerve and bounding through vein and artery, Life is life indeed. Would you enjoy life with a zest, use none other than Herrick Allen's Gold Medal Saleratus.

SOMETHING NEW!—We publish this week one of the most unique and attractive advertisements that our columns have contained. It sets forth the merits of a new article now being put upon the market by the well known and enterprising firm of C. A. Richards & Co., Wine Merchants, of Boston. We have no doubt that the Sonoma Wine Bitters will prove to be all that it is represented to be, as we understand that it has the endorsement of the medical fraternity all over the country, and Messrs. Richards & Co. are certainly sparing neither pains or expense in its introduction to the public. We hear that their sales of this article are truly surprising for their magnitude, considering the short time that it has been before the people.

R. R. R.—Every household should keep Radway's Ready Relief and Pills on hand; their timely use, if suddenly seized with sickness, may save life. As soon as there is the slightest uneasiness in the chest, with difficulty of breathing, or indication of cough, take during the day 30 drops of Relief in a wine glass of water. Cure, effectual.—Pains in the Head, Sore Throat, Horseness, a sudden attack of Diptheria, or influenza, apply the Relief to the throat and chest. Persons suffering from Rheumatism, Tic Douloureux, &c., should not hesitate to apply Radway's Ready Relief, both externally and internally. Nothing better in the known world. Create a sense of heat and irritation, or burning, you may feel perfectly satisfied of a cure. For Sprains, Cuts, Wounds, Bruises, nothing like the Relief. Rub the part or parts where the disease or pain is seated, is all that is sufficient. Aside from all this, the Relief will be found to be a splendid tonic when used with water. If you have Lameness, Swelling of the Knees, Feet, Joints, &c., use nothing else. In case of Asiatic Cholera, the Relief leads all other preventives. So in attacks of Cholera Morbus, Bilious Cholic, Fevers, Sick or Nervous Headache, Foul Breath, Purging, Dysentery, painful Diarrhea, Vomiting, Convulsions, Bad Dreams, and General Debility, Radway's Ready Relief is a sure cure. Sold by Druggists. Price 50 cents per bottle. See Dr. Radway's Almanac for 1868. a4 2w

Caution to Females in Delicate Health.—DR. DOW, Physician and Surgeon, No. 7 Endicott street, Boston, is consulted daily for all diseases incident to the female system: Prolapsus Uteri or Fluor Albus, Suppression and other menstrual derangements, are all treated on new pathological principles, and speedy relief guaranteed in a very few days. So invariably certain is this new mode of treatment, that most obstinate complaints yield under it, and the afflicted person soon rejoices in perfect health.

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N. B.—All letters must contain one dollar, or they will not be answered.

Office hours from 8 A. M. to 9 P. M.

Boston, Sept. 1, 1867. 1y

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They are given in complaints of the Uniary Organs—such as Gravel, Chronic Catarrah of the Bladder, Morbid Irritation of the Bladder and Erethin, Disease of Prostrate and Retention or Incontinence of Urine, from a loss of tone in the parts concerned in its evacuation. The remedy has also been recommended in Dyspepsia, Chronic Rheumatism, Cutaneous Affections, and Dropsy.

Heubold's Extract Buchu is used by persons from the ages of 18 to 25, and from 35 to 55, or in the decline or change of life; after Confinement or Labor Pains; Bed-wetting in children.

IN AFFECTIONS PECULIAR TO FEMALES, the Extract Buchu is unequalled by any other remedy—as in Chlorosis or Retention, Irregularity, Painfulness or Suppression of Customary Evacuations, Ulcerated or Schirrous State of the Uterus.

DISEASES OF THE BLADDER, KIDNEYS, GRAVEL AND DROPSICAL SWELLINGS.—This medicine increases the power of Digestion, and excites the Absorbents into healthy action, by which the watery or calcareous depositions, and all unnatural enlargements are reduced, as well as Pain and Inflammation.

HELMBOLD'S EXTRACT BUCHU has cured every case of DIABETES in which it has been given. Irritation of the Neck of Bladder and Inflammation of the Kidneys, Ulceration of the Kidneys and Bladder, Retention of Urine, Diseases of the Prostrate, Gland-stone in the Bladder, Calculus, Gravel, Brick dust Deposit, and Mucus or Milky Discharges, and for Enfeebled and Delicate Constitutions, of both sexes, attended with the following symptoms: Indisposition to Exertion, Loss of Power, Loss of Memory, Difficulty of Breathing, Weak Nerves, Trembling, Horror of Disease, Wakefulness, Dimness of Vision, Pain in the Back, Hot Hands, Flushing of the Body, Dryness of the Skin, Eruption on the Face, Pallid Countenance, Universal Lassitude of the Muscular System, &c.

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AMONG the many restoratives which nature has supplied to relieve the afflictions of humanity, there is no more favorite one for a certain class of diseases than the "medicinal gum" of the Wild Cherry Tree; but however valuable it is, its power to heal, to soothe, to relieve and cure, is enhanced ten fold by scientific and judicious combination with other ingredients, in themselves of equal worth. This happy mingling exists to a remarkable degree in

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[From the Rochester (N. Y.), Express, July 31, 1867.]

A Remarkable Strawberry—The Golden Queen.—Mr. J. B. CLINE, No. 8 Howell street—an extensive grower and propagator of fruits—sent us yesterday (July 22) a quart of the Golden Queen Strawberry, which is probably the last of the present season. This fruit is quite well known for its superior flavor, and we need only speak now of its other advantages—in lateness of ripening and productiveness. As it comes after most of the other berries are dried up and out of bearing, it uniformly brings a higher price, especially where its excellence has been proved. Its large size also makes it an attractive market berry, and its productiveness a most profitable variety for market. The Golden Queen has sold in this market for from 35 to 50 cents per quart; and of its productiveness, a circular issued by Mr. Cline, will be ample testimony.

Send a three-cent stamp and get one of Mr. Cline's circulars and price lists of Strawberry Plants, Grapes, Fruit and Ornamental Trees; also showing a printed cut of the Ontario Grape—single bunches weighing nearly two pounds—very juicy and sweet.

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Boston, June 30, 1867. 1y.

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Boston, July 6, 1867. sp n 1y

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(See advertisement.) o12-1y

BORN.

In Wilbraham, 5th, a daughter to JOHN R. COOTE.

MARRIED.

In Palmer, 4th, by Rev. E. M. Haynes, WILLIAM M. PRAY of Palmer, and LORAINE N. NELSON of Woodbury, Vt.

In Warren, 5th, by Rev. J. H. Moore, OTIS LINCOLN and Mrs. MINERVA H. JACKSON.

In Wales, by Rev. Lyman Partridge, RUEA SOULE and MARY A. HOLSWOTH; GEO. N. CLARKE and Miss ELLEN NEEDHAM.

DIED.

In Monson, 8th, LYMAN ANDERSON, 79; 2d, LUCY ANN HIGGINS, 68.

In Ware, 1st, Mrs. REBECCA DEMOND, 77; 2d, JOHN SNOW, 17; 3d, LUTHER SNOW, 33.

In Wilbraham, 4th, HENRY M. ADAMS, 40.

In Warren, 30th ult., HENRY W. DURANT, 69.

In Ludlow, 8th, CHARLES GOVE, 78.

YOU CAN SELL your Government Bonds and Compons at the Journal office, Palmer.

ZENAS MARSH, Painter, Glazier, Paper Hanger, Sign Painter, and dealer in Sash and Blinds, Bank St.

AN ADJOURNED MEETING of the Ware River Railroad Company will be held in Ware, at the Hartwell House, on Saturday, April 18th, at 2 o'clock P. M. Stockholders are requested to be present. Per order,
A. SANDFORD, Clerk.
Ware, April 9, 1868. 2w

F. M. EAGER, Boot Manufacturer, to Order, will be at Munn & King's Store, Barton's Block, Monson, every WEDNESDAY, from 7 to 9 P. M.; where he will take orders for Boots. A good assortment of Boots can be found at my shop, nearly opposite Antique House—all of my own manufacture. F. M. EAGER.
Palmer, April 11, 1868. tf

NOTICE.—I take this method to correct a false report that is in circulation. I am told by A. V. Blanchard Esq., that he has been questioned as to my moral character, as to being a man of truth and honesty, that I had money in the bank at the time my house was burned. I defy the man that can find where the bank is that I had one dollar in, or any money I had anywhere, except three dollars in my wallet.
OLNEY ESTON.
Palmer, April 11, 1868. tf

QUARTERLY REPORT OF THE WARE NATIONAL BANK, April 6, 1868.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts,	$286,633.13
U. S. Bonds, with Treasurer,	350,000.00
U. S. Bonds, on hand,	61,750.00
Bank balances,	63,701.65
Real Estate,	3,783.30
Legal Tenders and Specie,	39,986.96
National and fractional currency,	18,055.25
	$826,075.29

LIABILITIES.

Capital Stock,	$350,000.00
National Circulation,	314,370.00
State "	6,610.00
Surplus and profits,	55,758.37
Deposits,	100,236.92
	$826,075.29

W. S. HYDE, Cashier.
Ware, Mass., April 10, 1868. 1w

QUARTERLY REPORT OF THE MONSON NATIONAL BANK, April 6, 1868.

RESOURCES.

U. S. Bonds,	$167,000.00
Notes and bills,	147,734.04
Real Estate,	2,500.00
Stock in National Bank of Redemption,	5,400.00
Due from Banks,	17,150.61
Legal Tender notes and cash items,	14,663.78
Current expenses,	544.35
	$354,992.78

LIABILITIES.

Capital Stock,	$150,000.00
Surplus Fund,	30,000.00
Profit and loss, and discount,	10,665.87
National Circulation,	141,400.00
Deposits,	19,598.71
Due to Banks,	328.20
	$354,992.78

E. F. MORRIS, Cashier.
Monson, April 10, 1868. 1w

HEALTHY! HAPPY! AND HUNGRY!

Well, reader! don't you think that a pretty comfortable sort of feeling? Now you just keep on reading and you will find out what it is that will bring these three blessings straight into your life, and when you once get them, don't blame our remedy if you don't keep them there.

HEALTH!

Good health! What is life worth without it? How it sweetens every joy and doubles every pleasure. THE HEALTHY ARE THE HAPPY. A good digestion is what you must have before you can enjoy anything.

WHAT IS THE USE

Of standing before some beautiful object of art, and as the mind fills with admiration with its pleasing beauties, you feel some confounded pain in your head, or somewhere else, which sends you away heart-sickened and disgusted with yourself and every body else.

HOW CAN YOU BE HAPPY

Under such circumstances?

THEN, AGAIN,

What sense is there in sitting down day after day to a good dinner that wife has worked hard all the forenoon to get up for you, and finding that while the spirit is willing, the flesh is so miserably weak and tagged out, that you had rather go to sleep than try to eat anything?

THE FACT IS,

You are not hungry, and feel as though you would exchange most anything you have to be able to sit down and eat a

GOOD SQUARE MEAL,

Just as you did when you was a HEALTHY, HAPPY, and HUNGRY BOY.

Now your ideas of

HOW TO GET BETTER,

Are rather mixed up. You fancy you have got to go to the doctor and get a lot of medicine, and stay in the house long enough to let half your notes lay over and have a general sort of two-story sickness. You need not do anything of the kind to be

HEALTHY, HAPPY AND HUNGRY,

Because you can just go to the

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At the corner, and get a bottle of

C. A. RICHARDS & CO.'S

SONOMA WINE BITTERS,

And you have then done just the right thing, and you will find it out yourself. They will drive away all those languid, heavy, dull feelings, and make a new man of you. Then don't save it all for yourself, but

PASS IT AROUND,

Give it to your wife, deal it out to the children, send it in to the neighbors, and take it down town to your office. It won't hurt you. It will not intoxicate and muddle your head. There is but very little spirit in it, no more than there is in any pure native wine.

The plants and roots with which it is bittered have a WONDERFUL POWER to make you HUNGRY, and the combination forms a medicinal effect that works like

A CHARM IN THE SPRING TIME.

Accompanying each bottle is a pamphlet, that gives the entire explanation of the great curative properties of all the articles that make the

DELIGHTFUL TASTE AND SMELL

of the Sonoma Wine Bitters.

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Druggists, and country store keepers, all over the United States, are sending in their orders. Our Traveling Agents write us that it sells like fun, and we begin to think it does when we try to fill our orders.

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See that the LABEL ON THE BOTTLE bears the fac similie of OUR SIGNATURE, and that our Business Address is blown in the glass.

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Bleached Cottons, Equally as Cheap.	
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Southbridge, Mass., April 10, 1868. 3m

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A LARGE VARIETY of SMALL WARES,

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FLOUR, OF ALL KINDS,

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Palmer, March 28, 1868. tf

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RUBBER HOSE, GARDEN ENGINES, MARBLE SLABS For Wash Stands, and all descriptions of

HOUSE PUMPS, at WHOLESALE and RETAIL!

Springfield, Mass., March 21, 1868. 7w*

TO THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS Of the County of Hampden: The inhabitants of the town of Brimfield, in said county, by Henry F. Brown, Samuel Parker and Benjamin B. Fenton, a committee of said town thereto duly authorised, and the inhabitants of the town of Palmer, by Parker W. Webster, John E. Crane and William W. Cross, the selectmen of said town, thereto duly authorized, respectfully represent that the highway from near the house of Isaac Klug, in said Palmer, to the line of the Western Railroad, in Brimfield, is inconvenient and dangerous (especially that part of it known as "King's Bridge") to public travel.—They therefore request your Board to view said highway and bridge, and make such alterations in the same as you shall find the convenience and safety of the public require.

The inhabitants of the town of Brimfield, by
HENRY F. BROWN,
SAMUEL PARKER.

The inhabitants of the town of Palmer, by
PARKER W. WEBSTER,
J. E. CRANE,
W. W. CROSS.

March 24th, 1868.

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. HAMPDEN ss.: At a meeting of the County Commissioners, holden in Springfield, within and for said county, on the 24th day of March, in the year of our Lord 1868. And now upon the petition aforesaid, the County Commissioners, deeming a view of the premises expedient and proper, give notice that they will meet for the purpose of said view, at the dwelling-house of Isaac Klug, in Palmer, on Tuesday, the twenty-eight day of April next, at one o'clock, P. M.; and it is ordered by the County Commissioners that a copy of said petition be served by the Sheriff of said county or his Deputy, upon the Clerks of the towns of Palmer and Brimfield, in said county, thirty days at least before the said twenty-eighth day of April, and that all other persons and corporations interested therein be notified, by publishing a copy of said petition and this order thereon, once a week, in the Palmer Journal, a public newspaper printed in said county, three weeks successively, the last publication to be fourteen days at least before the time of said view. And it is further ordered by the Commissioners, that copies of said petition, or abstracts containing the substance thereof and this order, be posted up by said Sheriff or Deputy, in two public places in the towns of Palmer and Brimfield, fourteen days before said twenty-eighth day of April, and that notice be given in manner aforesaid to all persons and corporations interested, that the County Commissioners deem a view of the premises expedient and proper, and that a view of the same will be taken by them at the time and place aforesaid. GEO. B. MORRIS, Clerk.

True copy of the petition and order of the County Commissioners thereon. Attest.
m28 3w GEO. B. MORRIS, Clerk.

HAMPDEN SS. March 27, 1868. By virtue of an execution issued on a judgment in favor of Jeremiah Jenks of Belchertown, in our county of Hampshire, at a Justice Court holden at Palmer, before G. M. Fisk, Esq., a Justice of the Peace for said county, on the fifth day of March, current, I have taken all the right in equity that the said James Mahoney had, on the twenty-seventh day of January last—the day when the same was attached on mesne process, to redeem a certain mortgaged real estate laying in said Palmer, being the same land that is described in a mortgage deed thereof, from the said James Mahoney to Amasa Davis, dated January the fourth, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, and recorded in the registry of deeds for said county, book 225, page 91; to which reference may be had for a further description of the premises. And on the 27th day of April next, at two o'clock in the afternoon, at Samuel J. Bullock's hotel, in said Palmer, I shall offer for sale by public auction, to the highest bidder, said right in equity of redemption.
PARKER W. WEBSTER, Deputy Sheriff.
a 4 3w

GO TO SPRINGFIELD AND BUY Your Dry Goods, Ribbons, Trimming, Notions, Carpets, Woolens, Cloths, &c., of
McKNIGHT, NORTON & HAWLEY,
No. 1, HAYNES' HOTEL BUILDING,
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They keep the greatest variety; their prices are invariably the lowest; and remember, they have *ONE PRICE ONLY.* After the 1st of April their stores will be open every evening.
Springfield, Mass., March 21, 1868. 3m

SAMUEL C. RAY,

The veteran merchant tailor of Springfield,

HAS REMOVED

From his old stand opposite Court Square, and may be found at 227 MAIN STREET, opposite Tinkham & Co.'s, and in the vicinity of the Post Office, Opera House, and Republican Office. The establishment was formerly occupied by G. D. Richardson, and is one of the finest stores in the city.
Springfield, Mass., March 28, 1868. 3w

ZENAS MARSH has opened a PAINT SHOP on Bank St., under Music Hall, where he will keep constantly on hand Paints, Oils of all kinds, a nice assortment of Paper Hangings, including a new article of Wood Paper, Doors, Sash and Blinds. He will, also, attend to Painting Carriages, Dwellings, Graining, and Paper Hanging.—He employs some of the best workmen in these parts, and hopes, by strict attention to business, to merit a share of public patronage.
Ware, April 3, 1868. 3w

FOR SALE.—The subscriber offers his Farm for sale, located in the south part of Belchertown, near Jefferson White's AX Factory. It contains Forty Acres of Good Land. Seventeen of it Wood Land. Buildings are nearly new and in good repair. For further particulars, inquire of the subscriber on the premises.
ALFRED H. SHAW
Belchertown, March 28th, 1868. 3w*

FOR SALE.—The subscriber offers for sale a Valuable Horse, 7 years old, with double and single Harnesses, double Business Wagon, light Buggy Wagon, 2 or 3 Cows, several barrels of Vinegar Stock, and a few bushels of Red-Top Seed.
JOHN GRAVES.
Palmer, April 4, 1868. 3w

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DENTIST,

Cross' Block, - - - - Palmer.
January 13, 1868. tf

WANTED.—Good Potatoes for the Table, by
NICHOLS, FRENCH, & TINKHAM.
Palmer, Feb. 15, 1868. tf

PERSONS can get their Books and Magazines bound by leaving them at this office.

ATTENTION, LADIES!

I take pleasure in announcing the

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I have just added a Splendid Stock of FRENCH and GERMAN

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My stock is selected with the

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I Cordially Invite the Trading Community to

EXAMINE MY STOCK AND NOTE THE PRICES.

Respectfully, &c.,

THEODORE KAUDERS.

Journal Block.

Palmer, March 21, 1868. 1y

SPRING 1868.

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NEW M. DeLAINES,

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Also, a splendid line of

CLOTHS, CASSIMERES, & DOESKINS,

for men's and boys' wear at

AS LOW PRICES AS BEFORE THE WAR.

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BROWN AND BLEACHED COTTONS.

Bought before the recent advance, will be sold at

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GREAT BARGAINS!

In BLACK AND COLORED ALPACCAS and ALEXANDRIA POPLINS.

A new lot received this week, acknowledged by all to be the Cheapest Goods in this market.

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A New Stock at New Prices, consisting of

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from Hartford and Lowell Manufacturers. Also,

STAIR CARPETS, OIL CLOTHS, STRAW MATTINGS, FEATHERS, &c., &c.

☞ Call early and secure a *BARGAIN.*

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NO. 2 STORRS' BLOCK
Ware, Mass., Feb. 27, 1868. a22 y

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Policies issued on all descriptions of property, at the LOWEST RATES consistent with Protection. Time from one day to five years.

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Assets, - - - - - - - - $3,621,000.

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INTERNATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY,
NEW YORK.
Assets, - - - - - - - - $1,000,000.

METROPOLITAN INSURANCE COMPANY,
NEW YORK.
Assets, - - - - - - - - $650,000.

PEOPLE'S INSURANCE COMPANY,
WORCESTER.
Assets, - - - - - - - - $175,000.

HARTFORD FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,
HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT.
Assets, - - - - - - - - $2,026,000.

MERCHANTS AND FARMERS', Worcester,	$150,000.
BAY STATE, Worcester, - - - - -	152,000.
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Palmer, March 7, 1868.

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Having bought out the store of J. F. Holbrook, would respectfully inform the people of Palmer and vicinity that she is now ready to furnish

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In all the most Fashionable and *Recherche* styles, and on

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All kinds of

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usually kept at a Fancy Goods store may be found at Mrs. W.'s, and she invites the public to call and examine her stock before purchasing elsewhere.

In connection with the above is a

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Department, where may be found all the New and Latest Patterns from Paris and New York.

☞ Particular attention paid to the cutting and making, in the latest styles, Ladies' and Children's Garments. Trimmings furnished.

The subscriber has, also, the agency for Wilcox & Gibbs' Sewing Machine.

MRS. S. WHITMAN.
Palmer, Nov. 1st, 1867. y

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Continue to issue Passage Tickets, available for twelve months, from London, Liverpool, or Queenstown, and Drafts, payable on demand, for any amount from £1 and upwards
Apply to CHAS. E. STEVENS, Agent, Ware, Mass. mar14 y

FOR SALE.

THE McGILVRAY BLOCK.

On South Main Street. Inquire of E. NICHOLS, or M. W. FRENCH.
Palmer, March 13, 1868. tf

FOR SALE.—A HOUSE and BARN with an acre and a half of land, situated on the Monson road, at Tenneyville. There are eighteen young apple trees, grafted, on the premises.
Inquire of Eben Brown. CALISTA TENNEY.
Palmer, Feb. 5th, 1868. tf

SOLDIERS OF THE MASS. "TENTH." And other Regiments, who enlisted before July 22d, 1861, and were honorably discharged for sickness or disability, having served *less than two years*, can now obtain bounty by applying to
ALLEN & GARDNER, Claim Agents.
Palmer, Dec. 28, 1867. 3m

FOR SALE.—The House owned by the subscriber, located on the Thorndike road, together with two acres of land. Apply to J. K. KNOX. ANDREW DAWSON.
Palmer, Jan. 4th, 1868. tf

LETTER PAPER AND ENVELOPES STAMPED to Order at this office.

ENVELOPES Furnished and Printed to Order at this office.

WEDDING CARDS Neatly Printed at this office.

Harbingers of Spring.

O'er the meadow and the upland,
Southern grove to Northern lawn
Sends her bright and joyous heralds
Of the sad earth's vernal dawn.

Fill the robin and the bluebird
'Mong the forest's leafless boughs,
And they carol, "Spring is coming,"
As they tell their music vows.

On the the hill-top, in the valley,
Which the sun-line loves to crown,
Wind-flowers peep in modest beauty,
'Mong the moss-cups, rich and brown.

O'er old Ocean's frowning billows
Spirits of the Spring-time float,
And his thunder tone is changing
To the waveleť's murmuring note.

After windry days of sorrow,
There will come, on spirit Wing,
Heralds, bringing us glad tidings
Of the soul's unchanging Spring.

KINDNESS REWARDED.

It is a dreadful thing to be old and poor, and have no home; but there is a deeper depth of human calamity than this. It is to have, in addition, an old age of wasting, wearing sickness, which is often superinduced by that constant depression of mind which attends the consciousness of being alone and friendless and in want. One of the very best means of avoiding an old age of destitution and bodily suffering is to cultivate while young all the benevolent and generous feelings of our nature, never by any possibility allowing any opportunity to pass of befriending a fellow traveler as we are passing along life's journey, for sooner or later the reward will come—the reward of a happy heart and oftentimes a comfortable provision for declining years.

In 1812, a wounded soldier was lying helpless on the plains of Chalmette, a few miles below New Orleans. A youth passing that way kneeled at his side, inquired as to his wants, conveyed him to a shelter, and remained with him until he was able to leave for his home in the city. Nearly half a century later, the wounded soldier died, but old Judah Touro never forgot the youth who helped him on the battle-field, and left him $50,000 in money, besides some duties to perform which eventually yielded Mr. Shepherd $100,000 more.

While living in New Orleans, about the year 1850, a poor young doctor, with a large family and a small practice, often came into my office. He was always courteous, always kind, and always sad; and who could be otherwise when anxiety for to-morrow's bread for wife and children is always pressing on the heart? But there came a letter one day, with the English post-mark, making inquiries for a certain young American doctor who had greatly befriended an English gentleman during a long and dangerous attack of sickness in New Orleans a number of years before. This grateful gentleman had died and left our poor young doctor a large estate.

Ten years ago and less, there lived in the city of New York a clergyman whose name and memory are sacred to thousands of grateful, loving, revering hearts. He has not been dead long. He will never die out of the holy affections of the people before whom he came in and went out so many years. Among his people there was one man, and he was of large wealth, who seemed to make it his special business, as it was his highest happiness, to see that his revered pastor wanted nothing. It was not a fitful care. It did not spring up in May, and die long before December came; but through weeks and months and long years it was always the same—incessant, perennial, boiling up always like a never-failing spring. The pastor died, and his loving watcher, by no fault of his own, failed for almost millions. Any recovery was absolutely hopeless. The grief that pressed him most was the loss of ability to help the helpless. Men looked on and wondered, and began to question if Providence would let such a man come to want in his grey hairs. But there was an eye upon him. A man of very great wealth said: "He must not suffer who cared so well and so faithfully and long for my old minister. He is just the man I want to attend to my estates, and he shall have all he asks for as compensation for his services."

A FELINE CURIOSITY.—Prof. Glover has recently added a new attraction to his museum in the Department of Agriculture, it being no less than a cat imported from Angora, Asia Minor, the famous goat region, and much resembling that animal, having a long and silky white fleece, with a long heavy tail. This is said to be one of the best of the cat species, being very domestic in habit and an expert mouser.

ANCIENT COOKERY. — Let any one who wants to know how his ancestors cooked lobsters in A. D. 1381, read:

"For to make a Lopister. He schal be rostyd in his scalys in a ovyn, other by the Fyer under a panne, and etyn wyth Venegar."

—A printer out West, whose office is about a mile from any other building, and who hangs his sign on the limb of a forest tree, advertises for an apprentice. He says: "A boy from the country preferred."

—Detective Walker has brought a suit against the city of Washington to obtain the reward of $20,000 offered for the assassination of Mr. Lincoln, of which over fifty others claim a part or the whole.

—In a bookseller's catalogue lately appeared the following article:

"Memoirs of Charles the First—with a head capitally executed."

—Beautiful was the reply of a venerable man to the question whether he was still in the land of the living—"No, but I am almost there."

—Every man has in his own life follies enough—in his mind, trouble enough—without being curious after the affairs of others.

—"Am you familiar wid de Talmud?" asked a literary African of a sable brother; to which the latter responded, "De *tall mud?* Yes, sah, to de fallest kind ob mud. I'm a native in New York and to de mud and manner born."

—There is a Galic proverb: "If the best man's faults were written on his forehead, it would make him pull his hat over his eyes."

—Kissing a factory girl may be called a "mill privilege," particularly if there be a high waterfall on the premises.

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Commercial Block, - - - Palmer, Mass.
Palmer, April 6, 1867. 1y

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SAMUEL E. ELMORE, Secretary.

WILLIAM J. ROSS, Special Agent for Eastern Hampden.

Palmer, Jan. 4, 1868. 6m*

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For sale in quantities to suit purchasers, by

ALBERT BURLEY,

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Three o'clock in the Morning.

We talked together till night grew gray,
And cocks proclaimed the dawning,
"Now must you be going so soon," said she;
But the clock on the mantle struck one—two—three,
And somebody opened the door for me
At three o'clock in the morning.

'Twas very improper I hear you say,
But we don't mind your scorning;
For surely if she and I agree,
Its nobody's business, that I can see,
Although she did open the door for me
At three o'clock in the morning.

Yes, neighbors and gossips may have their say,
And utter their words of warning;
But their looks and frowns are naught to me,
If I still am permitted that picture to see,
Of somebody opening the door for me,
At three o'clock in the morning.

If the time should come that I might stay
Even beyond the dawning,
One promise I make—now listen to me—
Nor friend, nor gossip ever shall see
My somebody open the door TO me
At three o'clock in the morning.

Williams College Vidette.

A STORY BETTER THAN ROMANCE.

John Rabe, a Polish serf, married in 1860 Elizabeth Moritz, who was also a serf, and fled with his wife immediately after to Livonia, which was then a province of Sweden. Their object in escaping from Poland was the enjoyment of liberty; but their poverty compelled them, as soon as they reached Livonia, to go out to service. In the course of the first five years of their married life two children were born to them—a boy and a girl. The name of the girl was Martha. She was three years of age when the events occurred which I am about to relate.

The plague ravaged Livonia, and to avoid the contagion, John Rabe removed with his family to Marienburg, a small city of the province. The family had scarcely arrived in this city when both the parents died of the plague, leaving their two children to the charity of the world. The boy, aged five, was taken home by a peasant, who undertook to rear him. The girl, whom no one was willing to receive, was placed in the hands of the clergyman of the town, who took her into his house until he could find a suitable home for her. A few days after, the plague seized the minister's family, of which he and most of his household perished in a few hours, and before he could leave any directions with regard to the child. The Archbishop of Livonia, hearing of the desolation caused by the pestilence in Marienburg, repaired thither to solace and assist the inhabitants, and began his visits by going to the house of the deceased pastor. As soon as he entered the parsonage the little orphan Ann up to him, seized him by the robe, called him father, and begged for something to eat. Touched with compassion, and struck by the child's beauty and vigor, he took her with him to his home at Riga, where he gave her into the hands of his wife, who had already two daughters of about the same age.

In the family of this benevolent priest Martha Rabe lived to her sixteenth year in the capacity of a servant. She grew up to be a wonderfully beautiful woman—tall, finely formed, and possessing a most attractive countenance. Her complexion was singularly brilliant, and she had lustrous black eyes, and black curling hair.

A son of the archbishop was observed to cast longing eyes at his mother's beautiful maid, which she was not backward in returning. The prudent priest, therefore, resolved to marry her out of hand, and found a husband for her in a young sergeant in the Swedish army, belonging to a regiment stationed near. Forty-eight hours after the marriage the sergeant was obliged to join the regiment, then on the march for Poland, under the command of Charles XII; and the young wife remained in the archbishop's family, and continued to perform her ordinary duties as servant of the house.

In the course of the war, a Russian army, under a marshal of Peter the Great, invaded Livonia, and invested Marienburg, to which the archbishop had removed with his family for safety. The garrison being too small to resist the Russian force, the inhabitants implored the archbishop to go out to the camp of the Russian general and negotiate favorable terms of surrender. The good priest, accompanied by his wife and daughters and his servant Martha, approached the conqueror on his errand. He was well received by the Russian commander, who made him many fine promises, which he did not keep. Among other acts which he performed on getting possession of the city, was the seizure of the beautiful Martha Rabe, whom he claimed as part of his own share of the spoils. His eye, it appears, had fallen upon her during the speech of the archbishop; and discovering that she was a servant, he resolved to possess her. Despite the remonstrances of the priest, this design was accomplished; and she went out of the house of her master, and became an inmate of the quarters of the Russian General.

This General soon after made a present of her to Prince Menchikoff, who gave her a place as upper servant in his palace. There, at the age of 21, when she was in the full splendor of her extraordinary beauty, she caught the eye of Czar Peter, upon whose susceptible heart she made an instantaneous but ineffaceable impression. It is seldom that the absolute monarch of a barbarous country woos in vain. She became the mistress of the Czar, embraced the Greek religion, and received at her new baptism the name of Catharine, by which alone she is known in history. She bore three children to Peter.

Far from being weary of the charms of his mistress, the Czar appeared to be more and more enamored of her; and though at first he had been captivated by her beauty alone, he became attached firmly to her by her cheerfulness and wit. After living with the Czar five years as his mistress, she was married to him in secret, and thus became the Empress of Russia in all but the title.

Shortly after this secret marriage Catharine rendered such a service to the Czar and to Russia, that he avowed her marriage, and gave her the title of Empress.

With 30,000 exhausted and starving men, Peter suddenly found himself surrounded by a Turkish army of 150,000. Confused, discouraged, and overwhelmed with grief, Peter went to his tent and gave orders that no one should be admitted. Catharine, despite the command, boldly entered his tent, and reproached him for his want of firmness. Fighting, she said, was out of the question; but there was an expedient, for the success of which she would answer with her life. It was to corrupt by magnificent presents the Grand Vizier, and buy of him peace, which would draw the Czar from his perilous situation.

"I know," said she, "the character of the Turkish Minister. I have read his dispatches; I have conversed with those who know him, and can produce a man who can manage the negotiation. But there is not a moment to be lost."

She left the tent without giving the Czar time to reply, and immediately re-entered, leading with her the officer to whom she had alluded. A few minutes after, the officer was on his way, disguised, to the Turkish capitol, to sound the Ministry and to agree upon the price to be paid.

As soon as he was gone, the Czar, looking at her with admiration, said: "That's a brilliant idea of yours, Catharine; but where will you find money enough here in the wilderness to throw at the head of those scoundrels? for Turks don't take pay in promises."

"In this very place," replied she. "Here are my jewels, and before our messenger comes back I will have every coin and precious stone there is in the camp. All I ask of you is to keep up your courage, and re-animate that of your poor soldiers. Come, show yourself to the troops, and leave the rest to me. Before our envoy returns, I will have money to satisfy the Turkish Ministry, though they were ten times as avaricious as they are."

The Czar followed her advice, and went about the troops with a cheerful countenance.

Catharine mounted a horse, went from regiment to regiment, and assembling the officers, addressed them thus:

"Friends, we have got ourselves in such a situation, that we can save our liberty only in losing our lives or in making a bridge of gold. If we take the first method, and die in defending ourselves, all our gold and precious stones will be of no more use to us. Let us employ them, then, in inducing our enemies to let us go. I have already sacrificed my own jewels and money; but that is not enough to content the cupidity of the people with whom we have to do. We must all subscribe."

Having said these words she turned to an officer and said:

"What have you to give me? Whether it be much or little, I want it at once. If we get out of this bad fix you shall be recompensed a hundred fold, and I will recommend you to the Czar for promotion."

The result of this proceeding was, that every man in the army who had a piece of gold or a precious stone, brought it to her: and a sum was thus obtained which proved more than sufficient to purchase peace. Catharine herself negotiated the terms, and induced the obstinate Peter to sign a treaty which was as dishonorable as it was necessary.

Upon his return to Moscow, Peter proclaimed her the savlour of Russia, and caused her to be crowned Empress. She gave three more children to the Czar, and retained his confidence until the close of his life.

Thus it was that the orphan child of two Polish serfs came to the throne of one of the most powerful nations of the world. Towards the end of his reign Peter named Catharine as his successor, and a few hours after his death she was proclaimed Empress. Anne, who succeeded Catharine on the throne of Russia, was one of her daughters.

A CURIOUS AND SAD ACCIDENT.—A sad accident occurred in New Orleans not many days ago. Mr. Warmoth, one of the Republican candidates for Governor of Louisiana, makes it his home at the house of his friend, Mr. John Dean. While lying upon his bed, asleep, one day, a little child of Mr. Dean's climbed up and tickled his feet. The sleeper involuntarily gave a convulsive kick, which knocked the child from the bed to the floor—the little thing striking upon its head, and receiving injuries which resulted in brain fever, and finally in death. The mental anguish of the gentleman who was the innocent cause of this distressing event may be better imagined than described.

A SECRET MARRIAGE AND TRAGIC RESULT.

The Springfield (Illinois) Advertiser tells the following:—"For many months a young gentleman, well known to the citizens of Springfield, paid his attentions to a young lady who occupied a position in a neighboring town several degrees more elevated, socially, than his own. The youth, being of good personal appearance, and withal an excellent conversationalist, succeeded in engaging the affections of the young lady to an extent that nothing could satisfy except matrimony. The post-office had for a time done its duty, as post-offices always do in such matters, and many were the long, and, doubtless, tender messages that passed between the loving two, protected by the efficient care of their dear uncle from the prying eyes of those who would have given something nice to have known what was going on.

"The lady knew that her 'papa and mamma' would never consent to the union of two loving hearts, with her parents' mine of wealth laying between them, and so she readily consented to the young man's proposition to be married 'on the sly;' and, all unknown to the folks, while she was on a visit to some of her relatives at Columbus, her charmer called and the marriage took place. After a brief honeymoon in the capital city of Ohio, she returned to her home, but her husband did not return with her.

"From the time of the daughter's arrival home the old people fancied they could hear strange noises in the house. Steps were often heard upon the stairs in the lone still hours of night; various articles of furniture moved mysteriously about in the room above, and the old gentleman and lady finally came to the conclusion that the house was haunted, or that something was wrong. One night, after all had retired, the parents not only distinctly heard steps upon the stairs, but voices and noises on the landing-place above. Armed with a horse-pistol that had done good service in pioneer times, the father left his bed and quietly approached the foot of the stairs, where he found, resting upon the lower step, a pair of boots. At once he set up the cry of thieves, robbers, murder, that in a twinkling brought every member of the household to the scene—except his daughter.

"All hands then proceeded cautiously to the young lady's room, and not being able to arouse her, they broke open the door just in time to see a bootless man dive through the window. The old gentleman rushed to the opening, discharged his pistol, and the young man dropped to the ground.

"'Great heavens! you have killed my husband!' exclaimed the daughter, falling back and fainting upon the bed.

"'Your husband,' cried all in a breath; and then a rush of domestics for the yard below.

"The young man was found upon the ground, beneath the window, carried into the house, and the old people, frantic with grief and fear, promised to receive him to their hearts if he would only live. The doctor soon arrived, and having dressed a slight flesh wound upon his arm, pronounced him in no danger. He has now recovered, and is one of the happiest men within fifty miles of Springfield."

WHIPPED BY AN OWL.—Recently Mr. Upton of Whitingham, Vt., was aroused from his sleep at night by a disturbance among the fowls in his woodshed. Getting up and lighting a lamp, he went out and found a mammoth owl in the act of killing one of his hens. He pitched into the owl, and the owl pitched into him, and for a little while there was a hand-to-hand fight.

After several rounds between clubs and claws Upton failed to come to time, having been badly punished. Retreating into the house, he called up some half dozen of his boys, and—after securing doors, windows, &c., to cut off the retreat of the enemy—the contest was renewed. "The colored troops fought nobly," and so did these boys, and after a short fight with brickbats, billets of wood, clubs and the like, the owl was laid at their feet. It was an "old bruiser," measuring over five feet from tip to tip of its wings.

THE MURDER OF A SEDUCER JUSTIFIED BY A JURY.—On Saturday last, in the Frederick (Md.) County Court, Adam Albert was acquitted of the charge of murder, in taking the life of one Joseph Wood. The theory of the defence was that Wood had seduced both the wife and the daughter of the prisoner, despoiled him of his property and turned him out of house and home; that the killing was done in pursuit of a desire to get rid of a despotic interloper, and recover his rightful authority and dominion over the members of his own household. The jury were of one mind at the conclusion of the argument of counsel, and retired as a mere matter of form, to make up their verdict.

A FAST PRINCE.—An indignant citizen of Frankfort-on-the-Main, has commenced proceedings against the Prince of Wales for the seduction of his daughter. The Prince ruined the young girl last fall, during his presence in Germany.

Stella.

"ONE OF THE LOST."

Far out in the West, where the fog huts lay
Bathed in the gloam of a closing day,
With naught her joy to mar,
Lived a maiden fair with golden hair,
Whose form did well with her name compare—
'Twas Stella, the Evening Star.

Far away from the North the tempter came,
And the fog hut told a tale of shame—
As many such there are—
Of affection pass'd of a maiden cast
Adrift to encounter alone life's blast;
Poor Stella, the Evening Star.

Far away to the East, midst din and strife,
Bartering her soul for the means of life,
And bearing the branded scar
That the world bestows, with its sneers and blows,
Unsparingly on the heads of those
Like Stella, the Evening Star.

Far away to the South, aye, out of the world,
With her twin-named ship, that the tempest hurl'd
And stript of mast and spar,
Went down in the deep—she lies a-sleep,
And the merciful waves unceasingly weep
O'er Stella, the Evening Star.

A STORY FROM PARIS.

A Paris letter tells the following story of a Twelfth Night Fete in that city:

A wealthy family in the aristocratic boulevard Malesherbes were amusing themselves by seeking the king's portion, or a ring in the cake, when a lady of the company says to the hostess, "I wish my portion to be given to the poorest little boy we can find in the street."

The servant was dispatched on this freezing night, and not far from the house he found a ragged urchin, trembling with cold and hunger. He brought him up, as ordered, into the gay saloon, where a thousand lights glittered—and a sparkling fire gladdened the eyes of the poor little fellow.

Dumfounded and surprised, he drew the portion which the benevolent lady promised, and as luck would have it, the little fellow found the "ring" (beans they use in Paris instead.) and of course he was king. They all shouted out that, being a king, he must choose a queen. He was asked so to do, and looking around the company he chose the lady who had proposed to cede her portion of the cake. He was asked why he chose her. He said, "I don't know! she looks the most like mother!" "Mother! whose mother!" "My mother! I never knew her, but was stolen from her; here is her portrait!"

With this he drew from out his coat a likeness which proved to be that of the very lady herself, who, in Italy, had her child stolen from her, and now he turns up a poor little ragged Savoyard, dragging along a miserable existence in Paris, while his mother, by an intuition, perhaps, felt that the air near to where she was, was one so dear to her.

SAYINGS OF BILLINGS.—Honesty makes reputation, and honor preserves it.

The only way to make mankind happy is to make them better.

If fools would be content to act natural, they would not be noticed.

I like them kind of boys who are always trying to lift a half a ton.

Mankind don't want much excuse for pitching into the unfortunate.

Looking-glasses won't lie, but they tell some awful plain truths now and then.

How many people there are in this world whose characters are anonymous.

No man is fit to live in solitude unless he is as pure as the things that surround him.

Let the world understand that you can be spit upon, and you are a spit-box for life.

A dog is the only dependent that I know of upon whom you can always rely as a true friend.

Friendship is like pickled meats; to keep it sweet, the brines want to be changed once in a while.

My ideal of a delightful woman, is one who seems to love everybody, but in fact only loves her husband.

If you are going to help a man, be lively about it; promised assistance after awhile is considered a debt.

Adam probably was never more tickled than when he discovered Eve, which shows how unnatural solitude is.

REMARKABLE DISCOVERY.—The Chattanooga Union says that Mr. Wm. Staples, while digging recently in a salt-lick on his farm, twelve miles northeast of Kingston, in Tennessee, struck a solid limestone rock, about seven feet below the surface. In this rock he found a well about eight inches in diameter, filled with very salt water. After the discovery of this well, Mr. Staples prosecuted his investigations further, and, to his surprise, found a line of salt kettles, or rather the remains of them. The kettles were of stone-ware—made of the same material as that used by the Indians for their home ware—such as plates, dishes, &c. The kettles were broken, but the curvature indicated that they were about three feet in diameter, and about forty in number. A striking fact connected with this discovery is that the kettles were found at a depth of seven feet below the surface of the ground, and above them were trees (poplar and oak) which were evidently two centuries old.

DO LIKEWISE.—The citizens of Bangor, Me., are busily discussing the will of a wealthy resident recently deceased, who has remembered all his friends and bestowed his patrimony where it will do much good. It is suggested that other aged gentlemen of means go and do likewise.

A TERRIBLE CASE OF HYDROPHOBIA.

Two months ago Mr. John J. Masker, of Newark, N. J., was bitten in the fleshy part of the hand by a pet dog, which he was attempting to punish for having on the day before bitten Mrs. Masker. No serious results were anticipated from either wound, and they were left to heal without aid. A week ago last Wednesday, however, Mr. Masker's hand began to pain him, and he spoke of a burning sensation in the throat. Soon after he was attacked with spasms, which were repeated at frequent intervals till Monday, when a physician was called.—The usual remedies were prescribed, but the disease had assumed so violent a phase that the patient was unable to avail himself of them. He could not swallow, and the sight of water and other liquids produced the most violent paroxysms. On Wednesday an attempt was made to administer the medicines by injecting them into the arm and shoulder. The patient continued to grow worse, and it was found necessary to bind him to the bed; but in the unnatural strength induced by the paroxysms of pain, the cords were quickly snapped. At two o'clock on Thursday morning death came as a relief to his terrible sufferings. For hours before he died, the screams and cries of the sufferer were heard by the neighbors to a great distance. The wound which Mrs. M. received has given but slight indications of troubling her. Tuesday she complained of an itching or tickling sensation about the wound, and a peculiar feeling at the throat, but as these are now absent her physicians are encouraged.

FOUR IMPOSSIBLE THINGS.—First, to escape trouble by running away from duty.—Jonah once made the experiment, but soon found himself where all his imitators will in the end find themselves. Therefore, manfully meet and overcome the difficulties and trials to which the post allotted you by God's providence assigns you

Second—to become a Christian of strength and maturity without undergoing severe trials. What fire is to gold, that is affliction to the believer. It burns up the dross, and makes the gold shine forth with unalloyed luster. Third, to form an independent character, except when thrown upon individual resources. The oak in the middle of the forest, if surrounded on every side by trees that shelter it, and shade it, runs up tall and sickly; put away from its protectors, the first blast will overcome it. But the same tree, growing in the open field, where it is continually beat upon by the tempest, becomes its own protector.—So the man who is compelled to rely on his own resources forms an independence of character to which he could not otherwise have attained.

Fourth, to be a growing man, when you look to your post for influence, instead of bringing influence to your post. Therefore, prefer to climb up hill with difficulty, than to roll down with inglorious ease.

INFLUENCE OF HAPPY CHILDHOOD.—The memory of early happiness is a treasure-house of sweet comforts and consolations. Its pure, simple, earnest joys become wells to draw from whenever we sit down in thirst and weariness by the dusty highway of life. Of this one good the world can never cheat us. The sunshine of those days reaches across our little stretch of life, and mingles its rays with those which beam from the heaven of our hope. The actual present of the adult life, and the materials which enter into it, are made up, more than we generally suppose, of reminiscence. We ruminate, like the kine. We lay up in the receptacles of memory abundance of undigested material, which we recall and appropriate to our refreshment and nourishment; and this process of reminiscence—of living over again—grows upon us as we grow into years, till at last it becomes our all. Exhausted power has no resource but to dwell upon its old play and its old achievements. How sad he is who can never go back to his childhood without a shudder—who can never recall a period when his life was filled with sweet and simple satisfaction!

A "CHICAGO BIBLE."—There is to be a new edition of the Scriptures, termed the Chicago Bible. Its characteristic feature is an improved Family Record, suited to the growing wants of the West. In addition to the pages ordinarily devoted to births, marriages and deaths, several leaves will be devoted to divorces.

A FRIGHTENED BOY.—A boy in New Worcester was so frightened by maskers making a funny and friendly call a few evenings ago, that he left the house barefoot and half-dressed, ran four miles in less than half an hour, and was frantically wild and incoherent until morning.

ONE WAY TO DO IT.—A school district in Dighton recently relieved itself of an obnoxious teacher employed by the committee by keeping every scholar from school until the teacher and committee were tired of the solitude.

—Four shall not enter paradise—the scoffer, the liar, the hypocrite, and the slanderer.

The Journal.

SATURDAY, APRIL 18, 1868.

IMPEACHMENT makes slow progress. The defence is not as prompt with its testimony as was the prosecution, but they expect to finish this week, and then we may expect several days of arguments before a decision is reached; but it will come sometime.

THE Convention for this Congressional District, to elect delegates to the Chicago Convention, will be held at Chester, next Tuesday. Ex-Mayor Briggs, of Springfield, will probably be the choice of Hampden County, while Berkshire has no less than half a dozen candidates.

THE Democrats have already commenced the Presidential campaign by crying out against extravagance of the Government, and say it will cost $300,000,000 to carry on the Government another year; whereas the estimate made by Congress is less than $100,000,000. The army, which is charged with costing $150,000,000 will cost less than $50,000,000; and so on with the rest. We cannot expect the truth from lips accustomed to uttering falsehoods, and it is well known that the Democratic party does not mince words when attempting to win success.

ANOTHER fearful railroad disaster occurred on the Erie Railroad near Port Jarvis, early Tuesday morning. While running on a high embankment a broken rail threw the rear car from the track, and that displaced three other cars, and all four were hurled down the precipice and smashed in pieces. One sleeping car took fire, burning to death seven persons. The loss of life by this disaster amounts to twenty-four persons, and the wounded to sixty or seventy. It is not common for rails to break at this season of the year, when the frost is out, but it seems that there is no immunity from such accidents at any time.

A MEMBER of the Legislature sends us a slip cut from a paper in that vicinity, containing a "pen and ink sketch" of Hon. Geo. Walker of Springfield, in which he is charged with being loquacious to an unprofitable degree. Instead of heeding the request to publish, we take pleasure in saying that Mr. Walker is considered one of the most valuable members of the House, and that he consumes very little time in talking, in comparison to other prominent members. There are few men in the State who understand its finances, or the monetary interests of the country so well as Mr. Walker; and in fact he is thoroughly versed in all the machinery of legislation. If he speaks, he talks to some purpose—never for the sake of talking; and the Legislature may profit from what he says. There are members from Boston and vicinity who think nobody else has a right to talk but themselves, and are ready to turn up their noses if a member from another part of the State rises above them. Such seem to have been the feelings of the writer of the "Pen and Ink Sketches of the Legislature."

COMMENDABLE EXAMPLE.—A case of commendable liberality is noticed in the papers. Hon. Thomas Talbott, of Billerica, a member of the Governor's Council, has offered to build a church, costing not less than $10,000, for the Baptist Society of that place. He also agrees to pay $300 annually toward the support of preaching, and to give the Society $5,000 at his death for the same purpose. What makes the case more noticeable is the fact that Mr. Talbott is a Unitarian; but he is one of nature's noblemen, possessing that spirit of Christian generosity so rarely found among denominations and sects of the present day.

A GOOD WORD FOR THE REDSKINS.—Gen. Sheridan, who has had considerable experience with the Indians of the Plains, is reported to consider them more "sinned against than sinning," thinks them capable of civilization and control, Indian wars unnecessary and exceedingly dishonorable on the part of our Government. Efforts are being made to have him added to the Indian Commission as a member.

ELECTIONS.—Returns from Michigan indicate the defeat of the new Constitution by about 35,000 majority. Prohibition and annual sessions of the Legislature are also defeated by large majorities.—The Republicans carry Wisconsin by an increased majority on the July election. They also show large gains in the city and town elections.

WOMAN MURDERED.—Mrs. E. Widner, aged 67 years, of Rutland, Ill., was brutally murdered recently by a man named John Furness, who was working the farm of her husband on shares. He had a lawsuit with Mr. Widner on the same day, and killed Mrs. Widner in revenge for his defeat in the trial.

MISSING.—Two young ladies, of Boston answered a personal advertisement which appeared in one of the New York daily papers a week since, and went to New York, since which time every effort made to find them has proved unsuccessful, though skilful detectives are busy in ferreting out the affair.

PERHAPS SO.—The Alabama papers contend almost without exception that the placards, &c., which purport to come from the Kuklux Klan, are prepared by the boys in sport, and that no sane citizen of the State believes any such organization exists there.

—We acknowledge the receipt of a variety of imported flower seeds from our member of Congress, Mr. Dawes.

Our Next Victory.

The Republican party might now be in the wane but for the treachery and abuse of President Johnson. The settlement of the Southern difficulty and the restoration of the States to fellowship in the Union would have fulfilled the mission and purposes of the party, and it would have gone into a decline, as other parties have done, and a new party, with broader views and more extensive scope, would be rising into power. But the Republican party must live to accomplish an end not yet attained. For this reason it will be successful in the coming campaign—the result of which will open to Congress a clear way for the settlement of all difficulties. "Gen. Grant's election to the Presidency will begin a new era in the *post bellum* administration of our Government. It will signalize a marked change in the public temper. Hitherto the dominant feeling of the North has been that the late rebels would obtain political control in the South, deny the blacks all practical enjoyment of their newly acquired rights, and infuse the alms for which they fought into the general conduct of the Government. This apprehension will disappear with Gen. Grant's election. The Republican party, relieved of this fear, will lose much of its restless bitterness. Feeling secure in the triumph of its leading principles, it will be disposed to deal generously with the people of the Southern States, and the Southern people themselves, finding their last hope of a reactionary victory gone in the defeat of the Democratic party, will acquiesce in the final results of the war they themselves began, and abandon the struggle they have maintained so vainly and so long."

Steamboat Tragedy.

The steamer Sea Bird was burned on Lake Michigan Thursday morning, 9th inst., by which disaster nearly a hundred lives are supposed to have been lost. A passenger saved from the ill-fated steamer writes—

When we were off eight miles southeast of Waukegan I was awakened from a sound sleep by an indistinct noise. At first I thought the crew were fighting, and so hurried on with my clothes as fast as possible. When I opened my stateroom door I found everything in the direst confusion. The tables had been set for breakfast, and everything was ready for an early meal. The reckless and horrified passengers were rushing in hot haste to the forward part of the boat. No tongue can possibly describe the horror of the scene at this moment. Men, women and children—many of them with very slight protection against the cold morning air, in the way of clothing—rushed towards the forward opening. The terrified women rushed past *en dishabille*; the cries of the children, the heavy imprecations and shouts of the men, joined with the crackling of the flames; the noise of the engines, and the roar of wind and water, combined to create such a scene of confusion as I had never expected to be a witness of in this world. Looking round I perceived that the after part of the cabin was filled with smoke, and noticed now and again the quick, angry forks of flame shooting through it. I hurriedly returned to my stateroom and picked up two cork life-preservers, with which I started for the forward deck. The flames made such extraordinary headway that it did not seem to me five minutes' time before the whole hurricane-deck was in flames. I went down to the lower deck, which was yet untouched, to see what chance there was for safety in that direction.

The mate and I tore away the steps leading to the pilot-house, as we did all things of a combustible nature that were manageable which stood between us and the fire. On this part of the deck were several ladies and children, whose wailing and cries were very piteous to hear.

At this time—that is about half an hour after I had left my state-room—there were not more than ten men remaining on the deck. By this time I had worked my way to the forward part of the vessel and pulled down the halyards from the flag-staff, intending to lower myself into the water when I thought the time had arrived for doing so. The men below me, who were holding on to the sides of the bow, were dropping off one after another, being overcome by either the heat or the cold. The last act of the second mate was to take down the flag-staff and jump overboard with it. The water was so intensely cold that he could have lived but a very few minutes.

During all this time there were dead bodies floating around the vessel, and many live persons could be seen battling with the cruel waves and desperately clinging to chairs and pieces of the wreck.

Shortly after the mate jumped overboard my seat on the forward post became, from the approach of the flames, altogether too hot. I therefore, with the aid of the halyards, lowered myself over the bow of the steamer, holding on to the projecting rims of one of her timbers with my feet—the identical position which many poor sufferers had occupied before me, and from which, despairing of succor, they had dropped hopelessly into the lake. Shortly after this I was rescued by a boat from the schooner Cornelia.

THREATENING LETTERS.—The mysterious letters sent to members of Congress, purporting to come from the Kuklux Klan are ornamented with coffins and large blood-red letters. Here is a sample of one of them:—

K. K. K. K. K. K.

GRAND DIVISION OF DEO, DIV. 29.
Bloody month, cloudy moon.
Death! Death! to traitors!
"The negro must be eaten raw. Blood and clotted gore," is our motto.
Our last day will come, then apostates and —— will die to be bloody for the Ku Klux Klan.
We come! We come! The Ku Klux Klan,
To avenge the wrongs of our fellow man!
Fallen patriots! Assemble at a dis mala halla, nexta darka moona.
L. P. G. G. C. K. K. K.

AN ENTIRE TOWN SUFFERING FROM AN ATTACK OF THE MEASLES.—Farmington, Maine, has had a wonderful visitation of the measles. More than half the population have been in demand of pennyroyal tea within the past month. Churches, schools, stores and police court are closed, and confusion in general reigns. This is the first visitation of the kind for 40 years. Old and young alike are spotted, and the Normal School has been closed on account of the malady.

WON'T GIVE IT UP.—The editor of the Biddeford (Me.) Democrat intimates that the English executors who have Artemus Ward's property in charge seem disposed to keep it. The mother of the deceased humorist has not been able to get a single word in answer to her numerous letters from those who obtained possession of the money and chattels of her son after his death.

SOMETHING MORE.—A Washington correspondent says there seems to exist at the national capital a general opinion that the Impeachment Managers have certainly not brought forth all the testimony within their reach, but are holding back the strongest and most effective witnesses for a decisive blow, to be delivered as a sort of *coup de grace* in the grand tableau.

—Henry Gangram, of New York, was shot and killed in Nashville on Saturday evening by John Cunningham. Both were gamblers. Henry Fitzpatrick, colored, was recently hanged in Maury County, Tenn., by a disguised mob.

—A new business at the South is the manufacture of cane fiber slats, designed as a substitute for plaster in walls and ceilings. The material neither warps, cracks, breaks, peels, shells, or crumbles.

ALL SORTS OF THINGS.

THE New York Tribune devotes several columns to proving that the income tax is unconstitutional and ought not to be collected.

—A prominent pork packer in St. Louis is reported to have made $1,000,000 this season by packing and speculation.

—A clock put up on the Custom House in New York, on Wednesday last week, is twenty-four feet high, and weighs three thousand four hundred pounds.

—The President has signed the treaty recently made with the North German Confederation, by Hon. George Bancroft, regulating the right of citizenship, &c.

—The peach buds in Southern Ohio are reported nearly all killed by frost, as is a large proportion of the wheat.

—The Deseret News is trying to persuade "the Saints" not to run off to the gold mines, and tells them they are required to stay at home and build up Zion.

—The N. Y. Tribune says that the Ocean Seamen's Association, numbering 2000 men, have struck for $10 a month. They were receiving $35.

—Five newly-born infants, two living and three dead, were found in various parts of New York, in one day.

—The liquor shops of South Framingham were visited by the officers of the law the other day, and all liquors found upon the premises taken.

—Quite a severe shock of an earthquake was experienced in Portsmouth, N. H., and vicinity, early Thursday morning last week. The same shock was felt in Salem, Mass.

—Pollard's Southern Opinion ornaments the head column of its first page with the cabalistic letters K. K. K., inserting between the K's a couple of skulls and cross-bones.

—There is a sad case of inhuman neglect and actual maltreatment of a soldier's wife and orphans in Montpelier, Vt.—farming out the children at eleven cents a day each, and like inexcusable actions.

—The committee of Boston publishers who went to Washington to secure the removal of the onerous requirements in regard to local mail matter, have succeeded in their efforts.

—Weston, the pedestrian, says that he has engaged to walk one hundred miles in twenty-four consecutive hours once a week for twenty-nine weeks, before next winter.

—Charles A. Steward, a millionaire of West Plains, New York, married a young wife a fortnight ago, and died suddenly of apoplexy last week.

—A lady in New York, aged twenty-five, now enjoys the privilege of a fourth husband, having been three times divorced since she was eighteen.

—A general revival of business in the West is reported in the newspapers of that section, and the people are delighted that the days of dullness are passing away.

—Fears are entertained at the City of Mexico of the invasion of Lower California by the Americans.

—In North Carolina the political excitement is increasing daily, and both parties are straining every nerve. Large additions to the white vote are reported under the new registration.

SHOWN OUT.—A colored man named Dr. Baynes, of Norfolk, Va., visited Gen. Grant, accompanied by the chairman of the Republican State Committee of Virginia, and read the General a long lecture as to what he ought to do and ought not to do in regard to affairs in Virginia, and insisted especially upon the immediate removal of Gov. Wells. Seeing at the end of his impassioned harangue that General Grant maintained a silence that might mean assent or dissent, the Doctor is said to have remarked that this matter must be attended to at once, and if it was not Grant would get no votes in Virginia. Grant's reply was to pull the bell rope for an orderly and intimate through him that he had given Bayne all the time he had to spare.

THE WAY WOMEN ARE TREATED IN NEW YORK.—An unfortunate woman, on Thursday night, while attending one of the Catholic churches with an infant in her arms, was thrown into hysterics by discovering that her child was a corpse. Going out in the street, and being unable to control her grief, she was arrested on the supposition that she was tipsy, and locked up. Subsequently the truth of the case was ascertained and reported to the police Captain who had caused the poor creature to be imprisoned; but that functionary, with rare cruelty, in spite of explanation, insisted upon keeping the woman in a cell all night, where she passed the weary hours in a state of frenzy, clinging to the dead body of her child.

DEATH FROM INHALING CHLOROFORM.—In Portland, Mr. Wm. Hatch, while suffering from a raging toothache, entered the office of Dr. Evans and requested the doctor to administer sufficient chloroform to render him insensible to pain while the tooth was being extracted, to which the doctor consented and performed the operation. Mr. Hatch not coming out of his insensible state, Dr. Tewksbury was called, but when he had arrived the patient had passed away. Mr. Hatch was 44 years of age. He was a very weak man physically, suffering from consumption.

A SHOWER OF INKSTANDS IN A COMMON COUNCIL CHAMBER.—The Alexandria, Va., Board of Common Council appear to have taken lessons in manners of their New York prototypes. The other evening, in the excitement of debate, Mr. Johnson flung an inkstand at Mr. Bemis. A Mr. Warfield then let fly another inkstand at Mr. Johnson, which did not hit him, but struck O'Neil. Mr. O'Neil, in turn, aimed at Mr. Johnson with another inkstand, and broke a window. Then the shower of inkstands ceased, and the fracas came to an end.

THE SHOOTING OF McGEE.—It is stated that for some time past pistol shots have been heard at a late hour of night in the locality of D'Arcy McGee's residence in Ottawa. This fact is taken as showing that the murderers had long premeditated their crime, and wished to accustom people living near McGee's lodging to the sound of fire-arms, so that there would be less chance of curiosity being excited when they should go to work in earnest.

THE "HEAD CENTRE."—Among the cabin passengers arrived recently from London and Havre, is Stephen J. Meaney, the Fenian Head Centre, released from servitude by the British Government on condition that he would return to the United States. He was accompanied to Havre by the officers of the English Government, and his pardon was handed to him when he sailed.

BETTER NOT.—It is said a prominent New York publisher is about to issue a book by a woman who has been a servant in the houses of Jeff. Davis and of President Lincoln, and who promises very "spicy" revelations concerning the private life of the families of both. This strikes us as rather a scandalous adventure.

—There is some talk in England of handing over the telegraphs to the Government. It may, therefore, interest our readers to know that the French Government has just ordered the telegraph functionaries to wear sabres with steel scabbards.

PALMER AND VICINITY.

FISH MARKET.—Alva Thayer has opened a fish market in McGilvray block.

SEE the advertisement of S. W. Smith in another column. Also, that of Henry Gray & Sons, of Springfield.

BUY a box of Martin's Yankee Blacking, the best polish for boots and shoes we have seen for a long while. C. Hitchcock has it.

SOME FOXES.—Joseph H. Keith, of this town, has killed ten foxes the past winter, in retaliation for their poaching upon his poultry yard.

DR. H. P. WAKEFIELD, Superintendent of the Monson State Almshouse, has been appointed a Justice of the Peace and Quorum for the Commonwealth.

NEW ESTABLISHMENT.—W. C. Green and F. M. Dodge, have opened a new store, as wholesale and retail dealers in tobacco, cigars, fruits, confectionery, &c., in the room formerly occupied by A. J. Newton.

FARM SOLD.—John Foster has sold his farm in the northern part of the town, to James O. Hamilton for $8000. Mr. Foster will sell his farming tools, stock, &c., at auction next Tuesday, at 9 o'clock A. M.

SOUTH WILBRAHAM.—H. E. Alcott, of New Jersey, and G. F. Degen, of Boston, gave one of their readings at South Wilbraham, on Wednesday evening. They drew a crowded house, and were frequently applauded. They propose to read in Palmer.

WALES.—At an adjourned town meeting, Erasmus D. Shaw was chosen collector, and a committee was chosen to let out the repairs of highways for five years, at a sum not exceeding $500 for each year. Appropriations were made as follows: Support of schools $750, poor and town charges $1750, to apply on town debt $500.

BELCHERTOWN.—The Belcher House is undergoing renovation by its recent purchaser, Mr. Wm. C. Owen, and will be ready for re-opening about the first of May.—The High School has fifty scholars.—Bridgman & Sons will build a brick block where their store was burned down.—Franklin Dickenson has been re-appointed trial justice.

INVESTIGATION.—Some body has instigated an inquiry into the past management of the Monson State Almshouse, and the House of Representatives has appointed a committee to make such inquiry, but the Senate has laid the order on the table for future action. The Legislature should most certainly institute inquiries into all its institutions, and so far as the Monson establishment is concerned, we believe investigation has always been courted.

IF Springfield people want a nice cut of steak, they will find it, for a short time, at the City Market, where Major Morgan's fat steer has gone. The steer was only four years old, and brought down the scales to 1400. Mr. Perkins, of the City Market, bought him a year ago, but allowed him to remain with the Major till recently, increasing in size and fatness, till he had become the fattest animal ever raised in these parts.

PRESENT TO THE CHILDREN OF THE STATE PRIMARY SCHOOL.—Milton Bradley & Co., of Springfield, have presented the children of the State Primary School one of their Zoetropes, with four sets of pictures, for which, and previous gifts from Mr. Bradley, the children are very grateful. The Zoetrope is a curious philosophical instrument, by which pictures on paper are given life and action, affording a great deal of instruction and amusement. For a family of children or young folks, nothing can be purchased that will yield more innocent enjoyment. Messrs. Bradley & Co. have secured a patent on the Zoetrope in Europe, where a demand for the instrument has become very large. They have also numerous other toys and games with which to amuse the public.

THE WILBRAHAM CASE.—We last week mentioned the case of a child having been born in Wilbraham, the paternity of which was charged upon the mother's father. The neighbors made so much ado about it that the selectmen of Wilbraham put the matter into the hands of deputy sheriff Winship, of Springfield, to investigate. He accordingly arrested Abraham Knowlton, of Wilbraham, on a charge of murder, it having been alleged that the child died in a mysterious manner. His youngest daughter, Susan, a girl about 20 years of age, gave birth to a child on the 5th of March, and its death occurred on the 12th, under circumstances which led the neighbors to think that its death had been caused by violence. Mr. Knowlton is a farmer, about 50 years of age, and has seven children. The daughter and mother of the child, declares its father to be one Fuller, of Ludlow, and says her father is innocent of the crimes of incest and murder. Mr. Knowlton was arrested on Tuesday, and brought before J. H. Blair, trial justice of this place, on Wednesday morning, when a postponement of the examination was made till Friday morning. At that time a large crowd assembled at Antique Hall to listen to the testimony. Messrs. Allen & Gardner appeared for the defence, and Gideon Wells, of Springfield, for the prosecution. Half a dozen witnesses were introduced for the government, and two of them had been examined at the time we went to press. These were Dr. Holbrook, of this village, who was called to attend the mother at her confinement, and did not get there till after the child was born, and Mrs. Butler of Wilbraham, who was at the house when the child died.—There was nothing positive of foul play in the testimony of either, though it showed that Mr. Knowlton and his family had made no preparation for the child, and that its treatment was not consistent with humanity. The child's mother was not present, disappointing many of the spectators, who were evidently drawn to the court room by a prurient curiosity.

FIRE.—A fire broke out in J. V. Squier & Co.'s iron foundry, about 10 o'clock Sunday night, and in about half an hour the building was entirely destroyed. In the building was a machine shop, owned by Gibbs & Lincoln, and a sausage and lard factory, the property of F. Dodge & Co. The fire broke out in the centre of the building, and spread very rapidly. The house owned by the N. L. N. Railroad Company, on the opposite side of the street, was considerably scorched, and the fear of its burning drove the tenants out. The loss of J. V. Squier & Co. is $8,000; insured for $4,000 in the Springfield Fire & Marine, and Merchants and Naraganset of Providence. Loss of Gibbs & Lincoln, $3,000; insured for $2,000. Dodge & Co. lost, in lard and fixtures, about $600—no insurance; and I. S. Bemis lost $100 worth of pattern tools. The shop was one hundred feet long and two stories high, having a boiler, engine and complete set of fixtures. It was built last summer, to take the place of one owned by Mr. Squier which was burned down in March, 1867. Mr. Squier lost heavily by that fire; yet, not discouraged, he built anew, and a short time ago took into partnership A. N. Dewey, of this village. The fire is supposed to have been set, though there is no evidence pointing to any person as the incendiary. There is much sympathy felt for Mr. Squier, who has suffered this double loss from fire, and should he conclude to build again, he will not want for assistance. The selectmen have offered a reward of $500, to which are added $200 more by J. V. Squier & Co., and Gibbs & Lincoln, for the arrest and conviction of the incendiary.

MONSON.—R. M. Reynolds, who has been quite ill since the burning of the factory, is convalescent.——Chester M. Pease has received his "papers" for the patent staging to be used on roofs, and persons wishing to invest in a really practical invention will do well to call on Mr. P., who offers State and county rights for sale.—— On Tuesday evening a couple of ladies were thrown from their buggy over the embankment on Washington street, and the horse, one of Mr. Cushman's, though badly entangled in the general turnover, came out safe and sound. The damage done to the buggy will probably be called for from the town funds.——It has been a question of importance, and one which will probably soon be decided, whether the town is liable for not having a lock-up, some parties contending that there are not 3000 inhabitants. Also, whether the town forfeited their school money last year, as the law requires towns of 500 families to provide a high school. It is doubtful if Monson has so many.—— Storrs & Gates have so far succeeded in opening their quarry as to develope a superior quality of granite, and the specimens which they have found have more than satisfied their expectations. They have orders for all they can do in this line, and will soon have a force of forty or fifty men busy with the hammer and drill. X.

HENRY SHUMWAY, who lived in the west part of Ware, went to that village last Friday to do a little shoping, and started for home about 5 o'clock in the afternoon. He was seen by different persons later in the evening, on his way towards home. Nothing was noticed further than that he appeared quite tired. Not arriving home that night, search was made Saturday morning, when he was found dead in the lot south of the "Pepper Mills." He was a man of steady habits, and probably his death was caused by a fit. He had been in feeble health from the effects of an apoplectic fit, which he had some years ago. He was 71 years of age.

A BILL has been introduced into the Legislature, by Wm. Mixter of Hardwick, to modify the Ware River Railroad charter so that work can be commenced on it when $200,000 of the capital stock has been subscribed, and 20 per cent. of that amount paid in. The same gentleman has also reported a bill authorizing the town of Ware to take stock in the Railroad, not exceeding 5 per cent. of its valuation, and making the selectmen members of the board of directors.

STOLEN.—The storehouse of the State Constabulary, in Springfield, containing several thousand gallons of confiscated liquor, was broken open Tuesday night, and a large portion of the contents removed. The liquor has been accumulating for a couple of years, and was under charge of Deputy Constable Samuel Chapin, who shot Brooks in the Westfield riot last fall. A valuable horse, the property of State Constable Billings, was poisoned at Westfield the same night.

A GOOD ILLUSTRATION.—House rents are so exhorbitant in New Orleans that an avaricious landlord advertises to let "a splendid hogshead, just vacated by the former occupant, who leaves it for no fault." The premises are a sweet location for a family with young children; are in thorough repair, with bunghole centrally situated, and hoops in good order.

A MAN OF MANY WIVES.—A Vermonter, named Wm. Bailaw, was lately arrested and convicted of bigamy at Oxford, N. H. It appeared that he had a wife in Canada; two wives in Marshfield, one of them divorced; one in New York; one somewhere at the South, and one with him, whom he married last January, in Newbury, Vt., making six wives in all.

NO WORK.—It is stated that respectable young men in the city of New York are going to the station houses and asking to be committed as vagrants, because they are out of work. Why don't they go into the country, where they can find employment at farming.

EARLY GARDENS.—The gardens of Memphis, Tenn., are in a very forward state. Lettuce is up and fit for use; peas are five or six inches above the ground; Irish potatoes are up; strawberries are already in bloom.

THE ONLY FORTIFICATION.—Fort Whipple is the only complete work in the line of fortifications surrounding Washington three years ago. It shelters a small garrison posted to guard the stores of ammunition.

THEIR BEST FRIEND.—The New Orleans Picayune suggests that the Democrats nominate Gen. Hancock for President, "the man who has proved the best friend the South has had since the war ended, and whose brilliant career as a soldier should gain for him every Northern vote which is not sworn away to Radicalism."

FATAL CASUALTY IN A CHURCH.—A portion of the gallery in St. Mary's Church, at Chicago, settled down, on Friday evening, last week, when the Church was full of people, and a terrible panic ensued. Men and women were trampled down in the rush; two women were killed, two fatally and many badly injured.

THE END PROPHESIED.—A Second Adventist preacher has fixed upon the first and second days of October next for the grand final ending of the world. We therefore give timely warning, in order that the reader may set his house in order and brace his mind for the impending catastrophe.

ONE WAY.—A novel solution of a difficult question was made in Westborough a short time since. The snow was too deep at the time of a funeral for the hearse to make its way, and the hearse was accordingly placed on an ox-sled, which was drawn by six yoke of oxen.

MURDEROUS AFFRAY.—A murderous affray occurred at Hempstead, Texas, on Sunday last, in which three white men were killed, and two whites and two blacks wounded. The affray was in consequence of a murder committed on the previous Friday.

WELL OFF.—A Nashville paper publishes quite a long list of colored men in that city who have accumulated property ranging in the several cases from $2,000 to $50,000. Many of them bought their freedom and that of their wives and children before the war.

VENOMOUS.—A curious poisoning case is under investigation in Lafayette, Indiana. A malicious woman fed strychnine to a neighbor's hens, and an egg produced by one of them afterwards badly poisoned a little daughter of the owner of the poultry.

AN ANGEL WITHIN.—Daniel Kline, a brick manufacturer of Reading, Penn., cut his throat on Tuesday with a common table-knife, the only reason he assigned being that he had "an angel within him that was endeavoring to convert him into a devil."

A NEW CLUB.—A literary club recently organized in New York, and composed of women in any way distinguished in literature, music, art or other approved profession, has definitely adopted the name of "The Blue Stocking Club."

WAR OF RACES.—A war of races is threatened on Negro Hill in Boston. An Irishman having disappeared, it is charged that negroes murdered him, and it has therefore become necessary to double the Police force in the neighborhood.

MASTODON FOUND.—The remains of a mastodon, buried in the sand, with the bones partially exposed to view, have been discovered on the beach at St. Helena Island, S. C., not far from where the city of Port Royal has been laid out.

DR. BABCOCK'S HAIR DRESSING.—The State Assayer recommends it. No other preparation *so safe, so good,* or *so cheap.* Price One Dollar. Sold by Druggists everywhere, and by Dr. George W. Babcock, Scientific Dermatologist, 28 Winter Street, Boston.

ITS good effects are permanent. In this it differs from all hair dyes. By its use luxuriant growth is guaranteed, natural color and gloss are restored. One trial will cause you to say this of MRS. S. A. ALLEN'S IMPROVED *(new style)* HAIR RESTORER OR DRESSING, *(in one bottle).* Every Druggist sells it. Price One Dollar.

THAT Iron is valuable as a medicine has long been known, but it is only since the preparation of it in the particular form of Peruvian Syrup was discovered that its full power over disease has been brought to light. Its effects in cases of dyspepsia and debility is most salutary.

WE know of no musical instrument for which there is a greater demand than for the AMERICAN ORGAN, manufactured by S. D. & H. W. Smith, at Boston, Mass., the reputation of which is based upon its solid merit. The internal construction differs from all other instruments, being on a superior principle, while the absence of *complication* renders it less liable to get out of order. The action is so delicate that its response to the touch is as ready as the pianoforte, making it desirable for light and quick music, as well as for that which is connected and sustained. We trust our readers will take early opportunity to become acquainted with these fine instruments, as no home is complete without a musical instrument.—*Boston Traveller.*

TO INVALIDS.—Those afflicted with cancer, scrofula, dyspepsia, liver complaints, rheumatism, neuralgia, and all diseases caused by impure blood, should apply at the Medical Institute, No. 10 Temple place, Boston. Dr. R. Greene, the Principal, has had remarkable success in treating this class of diseases, during a practice of more than twenty years in this city. Many thousands have been restored to health by his treatment, after seeking relief elsewhere in vain. The Doctor has issued a new edition of his book, of one hundred pages, describing these various diseases and their mode of treatment, which he offers to send free to invalids. Address R. Greene, M. D., 10 Temple Place, Boston, Mass.—*Boston Traveller.*

THE HAIR AND SCALP.—Dr. George W. Babcock, Scientific Dermatologist, 28 Winter Street, Boston, successfully treats all diseases of the Hair and Scalp, Loss of Hair, Premature Greyness, Baldness, etc. Dr Babcock treats the hair and Scalp *as a physician*—not upon any "One Remedy System"—but adapts the remedies *to the requirements of each case.* He devotes his attention *exclusively* to diseases of the Hair and Scalp, treating them in the most advanced European methods, and not in the imperfect manner hitherto generally adopted in the United States. No charge for consultation. A pamphlet with the State Assayer's report upon Dr. Babcock's thirteen remedies *free.*

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Dr. Radway's Pills are compounded from Vegetable Extracts, Coated and Sweet Gum, and are the best, quickest and safest Purgative, Aperient, Anti-Bilious and Cathartic Medicine known to the Medicinal Science.

One of Dr. Radway's Pills contains more of the active principle of cure, and will act quicker on the Liver, Bowels, Stomach, Kidneys, Bladder, Blood, etc., than 6 to 8 of the ordinary common purgative or cathartic pills, sold under various names, or than ten grains of Blue Mass.

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Boston, June 30, 1867. 1y.

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The Liver Pill is *Purely Vegetable* is Mild, yet efficient in its operation, and promotes and maintains the vital functional action of the Liver and Bowels. Taken once, twice, or three times a week, during one or two weeks, it will be succeeded by months of regular functional action.

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PROPERTIES.—Their odor is strong, diffusive and somewhat aromatic; their taste bitterish and analogous to mint.

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Helmbold's Extract Buchu is used by persons from the ages of 18 to 25, and from 35 to 55, or in the decline or change of life; after Confinement or Labor Pains; Bed-wetting in children.

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Boston, Sept. 1, 1867. 1y

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Boston, July 6, 1867. sp n 1y

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MARRIED.

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In Lowell, 4th, WM. H. WILLARD of Worcester, and Mrs. ALICE D. HARTWELL of Ware.

DIED.

In Thorndike, 5th, ROGER SCANNELL, 54.

In Ware, 4th, JOHN R. PERRY, 18, son of William A. Snow of Belchertown.

In Springfield, 11th, CLARA EMMA, infant daughter of Josiah A. Royce, editor of the Lee Gleaner.

In Wilbraham, 7th, DOLLIE, 78, widow of William Kent.

In Brimfield, 10th, PHIANDA L. BLANCHARD, 27.

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$300 REWARD.—The above reward will be paid to any person who shall furnish evidence sufficient to convict any one of willfully and maliciously setting fire to the Iron Foundry belonging to J. V. Squier & Co., on Sunday evening, April 12th, 1868.

W. W. CROSS,
P. W. WEBSTER, } Selectmen
J. E. CRANE, } of Palmer.

$200 REWARD.—In addition to the above, $200 will be paid by J. V. Squier & Co., and Gibbs & Lincoln, for the conviction of the incendiary.

Palmer, April, 16th, 1868. a18-3w

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Larger and more complete than ever before, and not equaled by any other in this part of the State.

This large stock has been bought for *Cash* at the *lowest market prices*, and will be sold on the *Quick Sale*, small *profit* system, which has been our rule for the past *Twenty Years.*

We cordially invite all purchasers of *Dry Goods* or *Carpets*, within Fifty or One Hundred Miles of Springfield, *North, South, East or West*, to visit our establishment.

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184, 186 MAIN STREET.

Springfield, Mass., April, 1868. a18 4w

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FOR SALE BY ALL DRUGGISTS.

PRICE, ONE DOLLAR.

Scientific research cannot furnish an article for the Toilet superior to this.

State Assayer's Office, 20 State Street, Boston, October 11, 1867.

Dr. George W. Babcock: Sir—I have analyzed and tested the Hair Dressing received from you, with the following results:

It is free from silver, lead, sulphur, acids, alkalies, or injurious substances of any kind.

It is skillfully prepared, containing valuable medicinal ingredients, which are known to stimulate the growth of the hair; and I can recommend it as a superior preparation, and one that may be used with entire safety.

Each bottle contains twelve fluid ounces. Respectfully, (Signed) S. DANA HAYES,
State Assayer of Massachusetts.

It stimulates the growth of the hair, keeps the head cool, moist and clean, does not soil the dress or the skin, and its effect upon the APPEARANCE of the hair is *everything that can be desired.*

It not only PROMOTES, but PRESERVES, a luxuriant, handsome growth of hair, in its natural color, through life.

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April 18th, 1868. 3m

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THE BEST QUALITY OF GROCERIES,

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S. W. SMITH'S,

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Palmer, April 18, 1868. 1y

ROOFING PAINT.

Several barrels of Water Proof Roofing Paint for sale cheap, at the JOURNAL OFFICE.

Palmer, April 18, 1868. tf

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE: That on the 4th day of April, A. D. 1868, a Warrant in Bankruptcy was issued against the estate of Stephen B. Wetherell, of Ware, in the county of Hampshire, and State of Massachusetts, who has been adjudged a Bankrupt on his own petition; that the payment of any Debts and delivery of any Property belonging to such Bankrupt, to him, or for his use, and the transfer of any Property by him are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the Creditors of the said Bankrupt, to prove their Debts, and to choose one or more Assignees of his Estate, will be held at a Court of Bankruptcy, to be holden at Amherst, in said District, at the office of and before Ithamar F. Conkey, Register, on the 29th day of April, A. D. 1868, at 10 o'clock, A. M. GEORGE L. ANDREWS,
2w] U. S. Marshal, Mass. District, as Messenger.

ASSESSORS' NOTICE.—The inhabitants of the town of Palmer are hereby notified to bring in to the subscribers, assessors of said Palmer, on Friday, the first day of May, 1868, at the Town House, true lists of their polls, and of all their estates, both real and personal, (not exempt from taxation), of which they are possessed on the first day of May.

JOHN CLOUGH,
D. B BISHOP,
PERLIN SHEARER, } Assessors of Palmer.

Palmer, April 17th, 1868. 18 2w

FISH MARKET.—The subscriber has opened a Fish Market in McGilvray Block, and will keep on hand all kinds of Fresh and Salt Fish; also, Oysters and Fruits.

He will, also, run a cart in this village and vicinity twice each week

ALVA THAYER.
Palmer, April 14, 1868. n18-tf

PERSONS can get their Books and Magaziues bound by leaving them at this office.

WANTED.—Good Potatoes for the Table, by
NICHOLS, FRENCH, & TINKHAM.
Palmer, Feb. 15, 1868. tf

AN ADJOURNED MEETING of the Ware River Railroad Company will be held in Ware, at the Hartwell House, on Saturday, April 18th, at 2 o'clock P. M. Stockholders are requested to be present. Per order,
A. SANDFORD, Clerk.
Ware, April 9, 1868. 2w

FOR SALE.—The subscriber offers for sale a Valuable Horse, 7 years old, with double and single Harnesses, double Business Wagon, light Buggy Wagon, 2 or 3 Cows, several barrels of Vinegar Stock, and a few bushels of Red-Top Seed.
JOHN GRAVES.
Palmer, April 4, 1868. 3w

F. M. EAGER, Boot Manufacturer, to Order, will be at Munn & King's Store, Barton's Block, Monson, every WEDNESDAY, from 7 to 9 P. M.; where he will take orders for Boots. A good assortment of Boots can be found at my shop, nearly opposite Antique House—all of my own manufacture. F. M. EAGER.
Palmer, April 11, 1868. tf

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Offer, at the

LOWEST PRICES,

A Good Assortment of

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A LARGE VARIETY of SMALL WARES.

THE BEST FAMILY GROCERIES.

Also,

FLOUR, OF ALL KINDS,

SALT, GRASS SEED,

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Palmer, March 28, 1868. tf

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I take pleasure in announcing the

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BEAUTIFUL TRIMMINGS,

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BUTTONS,

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I have just added a Splendid Stock of FRENCH and GERMAN

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IN ENDLESS VARIETY.

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My stock is selected with the

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My prices will be found

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In the State.

I Cordially Invite the Trading Community to

EXAMINE MY STOCK AND NOTE THE PRICES.

Respectfully, &c.,

THEODORE KAUDERS,

Journal Block.

Palmer, March 21, 1868. j1 y

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These Goods were Bought at the

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50 Pieces Fast Colored Prints,	10 cts.
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100 Pieces DeLaines, (In Hamilton, Manchester, and Pacific.)	18 cts.
Amoskeag (A) Brown Sheetings,	18 cts.
Good 4-4 Sheetings,	12½ cts.
Good 40 inch Sheetings,	15 cts.
Bleached Cottons, Equally as Cheap.	
All Spool Thread, except Coat's,	4 cts.
Good All Wool Fancy Cassimere Suits, $10.	

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A Large and Superior Assortment of

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HATS AND CAPS,

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Southbridge, Mass., April 10, 1868. 3m

HEALTHY! HAPPY! AND HUNGRY!

Well, reader! don't you think that a pretty comfortable sort of feeling? Now you just keep on reading and you will find out what it is that will bring these three blessings straight into your life, and when you once get them, don't blame our remedy if you don't keep them there.

HEALTH!

Good health! What is life worth without it? How it sweetens every joy and doubles every pleasure. THE HEALTHY ARE THE HAPPY. A good digestion is what you must have before you can enjoy anything.

WHAT IS THE USE

Of standing before some beautiful object of art, and as the mind fills with admiration with its pleasing beauties, you feel some confounded pain in your head, or somewhere else, which sends you away heart-sickened and disgusted with yourself and every body else.

HOW CAN YOU BE HAPPY

Under such circumstances?

THEN, AGAIN,

What sense is there in sitting down day after day to a good dinner that wife has worked hard all the forenoon to get up for you, and finding that while the spirit is willing, the flesh is so miserably weak and fagged out, that you had rather go to sleep than try to eat anything?

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Springfield, Mass., March 21, 1868. 7w*

HAMPDEN SS. March 27, 1868. By virtue of an execution issued on a judgment in favor of Jeremiah Jenks of Belchertown, in our county of Hampshire, at a Justice Court holden at Palmer, before T. M. Fisk, Esq., a Justice of the Peace for said county, on the fifth day of March, current, I have taken all the right in equity that the said James Mahoney had, on the twenty-seventh day of January last—the day when the same was attached on mesne process, to redeem a certain mortgaged real estate laying in said Palmer, being the same land that is described in a mortgage deed thereof, from the said James Mahoney to Amasa Davis, dated January the fourth, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, and recorded in the registry of deeds for said county, book 225, page 21; to which reference may be had for a further description of the premises. And on the 27th day of April next, at two o'clock in the afternoon, at Samuel J. Bullock's hotel, in said Palmer, I shall offer for sale by public auction, to the highest bidder, said right in equity of redemption.

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Springfield, Mass., March 21, 1868. 3m

ZENAS MARSH has opened a PAINT SHOP on Bank St., under Music Hall, where he will keep constantly on hand Paints, Oils of all kinds, a nice assortment of Paper Hangings, including a new article of Wood Paper, Doors, Sash and Blinds. He will, also, attend to Painting Carriages, Dwellings, Graining, and Paper Hanging.—He employs some of the best workmen in these parts, and hopes, by strict attention to business, to merit a share of public patronage.

Ware, April 3, 1868. 3w

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Palmer, March 13, 1868. tf

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Two Darkies in "Lub" Fight a Duel.—Recently in Texas two negroes, falling in love with the same Dinah, were induced to fight a duel, she having promised to award her heart and hand to the conquerer. A squad of idle soldiers constituted themselves as seconds, took the two lovers in the woods, armed them with muskets and put them twenty paces apart. It seems that one of the principals had loaded his musket with an immense charge of powder and a handfull of musket balls. When his gun fired, everything fell before him.—He killed his adversary, wounded four of his seconds, and had his own breastworks seriously injured.

Married in a Hurry.—An impatient couple in Chesterfield County, Va., were married in a buggy a few days ago. The affianced bride made a journey to Richmond to select the wedding *trousseau*. When she returned by rail she was met by her lover, with a top buggy, to carry her home. On the road they met the pastor of their church, and as the license had already been obtained, the impatient bridegroom insisted upon the ceremony being performed at once—the preacher on horseback and they in the carriage—with a farmer and his wife (who happened to be present) for witnesses.

Happy City.—Among the two millions of people by whom Jeddo in Japan is inhabited, there is not a beggar in the streets, not a man unable to read, not a boor, not a drunkard, not a ruffian. The women are beautiful, the men are robust and energetic, there is no trouble about fashions, education is universal, books are plentiful, though there are no newspapers, life is simple and easy, marriage is universal, and children go naked.

Effects of a Surprise.—A recent surprise party at Albany, Me., had an unpleasant finale. One of the young men attending was seized with a slight illness, but not much was thought of it. The next morning he found himself completely broken out with the measles. Thirty or forty of those at the party had taken the contagious disease, and some have been quite sick.

Home Where the Wife Is.—A Licking Ohio, jury has just rendered a verdict of $250 damages against the trustees of Harrison Township, for refusing to receive the vote of a resident of that place. The wife of the voter is insane, and had been sent to the lunatic asylum. The intelligent judge decided that the man's home was where his wife was—in the lunatic asylum.

Resort for Thieves.—A Chicago paper in noting the great number of recent robberies, in Illinois and Iowa, of county offices, says the thieves take refuge in Indiana, where they are safer than in Canada, the peculiar law of rendition in that State requiring a full trial, before some judge or justice, and the production of evidence to warrant a conviction.

Result of Jealousy.—Miss Josephine Comstock, teacher in one of the Chicago public schools, was, on Thursday, in broad daylight, enticed by an unknown woman to an unfrequented part of the city, and there knocked down and terribly beaten upon the head with a mallet. The unknown person is supposed to have been prompted to the assault by jealousy.

Very Pert.—General Brisbin, of Ky., is out in a card denying that he is a son-in-law of Ben Wade. He tartly says: "It is nobody's business whom I married; my wife suits me exactly, and so long as we keep out of the police and divorce courts I am at a loss to know what right newspaper men have to inquire into our family affairs."

A Warning to Women who Scold.—The trial of Cora James, on a charge of being a common scold, in the Court of Criminal Correction, St. Louis, was concluded on Wednesday, the Court sentencing her to six months' imprisonment in the County jail.—Husbands with scolding wives had better remove to St. Louis.

A Lord Call.—A minister named Mosier, residing at Temperanceville, Alleghany County, Pa., has received a "call from God to preach the gospel in Ohio;" at least so he wrote his wife while on his flight from the avenging arm of an indignant father.

A Large Business.—A female boarding-house thief was arrested in New York, and on her person were found some forty pawn tickets, representing shawls, dresses, &c., of great value, altogether, it is supposed, amounting to from $2000 to $3000.

Abrupt.—A marriage ceremony came to a rather abrupt termination in Providence, Monday evening, in consequence of the to-be bride putting in a stipulation that the to-be bridegroom should thenceforth eschew his cigar.

Snaky.—A nest of black snakes was discovered in an old cellar at North Oxford, in this State, on the 2d inst., and 96 of the reptiles were killed, whose aggregate measurement was upwards of 400 feet in length.

Cleopatra's Needle.—It is proposed to transport to England Cleopatra's Needle—the prostrate obelisk at Alexandria, Egypt, which Ali Pacha gave to George IV., forty years ago. The cost of carriage would be £20,000.

—A few weeks ago, the trustees of a church in Philadelphia drowned the voice of an obnoxious pastor who had refused to resign after being requested to do so, by directing the organist to play loudly when he attempted to address the congregation.

—A Denbighshire, Eng., paper tells of a man who fell over a precipice in that neighborhood, and remarks:

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Which is the Richest.

Two maidens chatted merrily,
And merrily they sung;
Till the lofty walls around them
With silvery music rung.

The one was in the purple born,
With wealth at her command;
The other dowered with poverty,
And wit's effulgent wand.

The heiress twirled her jeweled rings,
And looked upon the sky;
Her friend repaired a tattered robe,
And cast adown her eye.

"I wish," said Belle, "some genii good,
Would crown your days with wealth;
It frets me, dear, to see you toil,
And note your failing health."

"Don't pity me," the rustic cried,
"'Gainst want I've sure defense;
For don't you see, my fairy queen,
I'm gathering in my rents!"

MY FORTUNE'S MADE.

My young friend, Cora Lee, was a gay, dashing girl, fond of dress, and looking always as if, to use a common saying, just out of a band-box. Cora was a belle, of course, and had many admirers, and among the number was a young man named Douglas, who was the very pink of neatness and very particular in his observance of the proprieties of life.

I saw from the first that if Douglas pressed his suit, Cora's heart would be an easy conquest, and so it proved.

"How admirably they are fitted for each other!" I remarked to my husband, on the night of the wedding. "Their tastes are similar, and their habits so much alike that no violence will be done to the feelings of either in the more intimate associations that marriage brings. Both are neat in person, and orderly by instinct, and both have good principles."

"From all present appearances the match will be a good one, replied my husband." There was, I thought, something like reservation in his tone.

"Do you really think so?" I said, a little ironically; for Mr. Smith's approval of the marriage was hardly warm enough to suit my fancy.

"O, certainly. Why not?" he replied.

I felt a little fretted at my husband's mode of speaking, but made no further remarks on the subject. He is never very enthusiastic nor sanguine; and did not mean, in this instance, to doubt the fitness of the parties for happiness in the married state, as I half imagined. For myself, I warmly approved of my friend's choice, and called her husband a lucky man to secure for his companion through life a woman so admirably fitted to make one like him happy. But a visit which I paid to Cora one day, about six weeks after the honeymoon had expired, lessened my enthusiasm on the subject, and awoke some unpleasant doubts. It happened that I called soon after breakfast. Cora met me in the parlor, looking like a very fright. She wore a soiled and rumpled morning-wrapper; her hair was in papers; and she had on dirty stockings and a pair of old slippers down at the heels.

"Bless me, Cora!" said I, "what is the matter? Have you been ill?"

"No. Why do you ask? Is my dishabille rather to the extreme?"

"Candidly, I think it is, Cora," was my frank answer.

"O, well! no matter," she carelessly replied, "my fortune's made."

"I don't clearly understand you," said I.

"I am married, you know."

"Yes, I am aware of that fact."

"No need of being so particular in dress now, for didn't I just say," replied Cora, "that my fortune's made? I've got a husband." Beneath an air of jesting was apparent the real earnestness of my friend.

"You dressed with a careful regard and neatness in order to win Edwin's love?" said I.

"Certainly I did."

"And should you not do the same in order to retain it?"

"Why, Mrs. Smith, do you think my husband's affection goes no deeper than my dress? I should be sorry indeed to think that. I am sure he loves me for myself."

"No doubt of that, Cora; but remember that he cannot see what is in your mind, except by what you do or say. If he admires your taste, for instance, it is not from any abstract appreciation of it, but because the taste manifests itself in what you do; and, depend upon it, he will find it a very hard matter to approve and admire your correctness in dress, for instance, when you appear before him day after day in your present unattractive attire. If you do not dress well for your husband's eyes, for whose eyes, pray, do you dress? You are as neat when abroad as you were before your marriage."

"As to that, Mrs. Smith, common decency requires me to dress well when I go out, or into company, to say nothing of the pride one naturally feels in looking well."

"And does not the same common decency and natural pride argue as strongly in favor of your dressing well at home and for the eyes of your husband, whose approval and admiration must be dearer to you than the approval and admiration of the whole world?"

"But he doesn't want to see me rigged out in silks and satins all the time. A pretty bill my dressmaker would have against him in that event. Edward has more sense than that, I flatter myself."

"Street or ball-room attire is one thing, Cora, and a becoming home apparel another. We look for both in their place."

Thus I argued with the thoughtless young wife; but my words made no impression. When abroad she dressed with exquisite taste, and was lovely to look upon; but at home she was careless and slovenly, and made it almost impossible for those who saw her to believe that she was the brilliant beauty they had met in company but a short time before. But even this did not last long. I noticed, after a few months, that the habits of home were not only confirming themselves, but becoming apparent abroad. "Her fortune was made," and why should she now waste time or employ her thoughts about matters of personal appearance?

The habits of Mr. Douglas, on the contrary, did not change. He was as orderly as before, and dressed with the same regard to neatness. He never appeared at the breakfast table without being shaved; nor did he lounge about in the evening in his shirt sleeves. The slovenly habits into which Cora had fallen annoyed him seriously; and still more so, when her carelessness about her appearance began to manifest itself abroad, as well as at home. When he hinted anything on the subject, she did not hesitate to reply, in a jesting manner, that "her fortune was made," and she need not trouble herself any longer about how she looked.

Douglas did not feel very much complimented, but as he had his share of good sense, he saw that to assume a cold and offended manner would do no good.

"If your fortune is made, so is mine," he replied, on one occasion, quite coolly and indifferently. Next morning he made his appearance at the breakfast table with a beard of twenty-four hours' growth.

"You haven't shaved this morning, dear, said Cora, to whose eyes the dirty looking face of her husband was particularly unpleasant.

"No," he replied, carelessly, "it's a serious trouble to shave every day."

"But you look so much better with a cleanly shaved face."

"Looks are nothing—ease and comfort everything," said Douglas.

"But common decency, Edward."

"I see nothing indecent in a long beard," replied the husband. Still Cora argued, but in vain. Her husband went off to his business with unshaven face.

"I don't know whether to shave or not," said Douglas the next morning, running over his rough face, upon which was a beard of forty-eight hours' growth. His wife had hastily thrown on a wrapper, and with slip-shod feet and head like a mop, was lounging in a rocking-chair, awaiting the breakfast bell.

"For Mercy's sake, Edward, don't go any longer with that shockingly dirty face," spoke up Cora. "If you knew how dreadfully you look."

"Looks are nothing," replied Edward, stroking his beard.

"Why, what's come over you all at once?"

"Nothing, only it is such a trouble to shave every day."

"But you didn't shave yesterday."

"I know I am just as well off to-day as if I had. So much saved at any rate."

But Cora urged the matter, and her husband finally yielded, and mowed down the luxuriant growth of beard.

"How much better you do look," said the young wife. "Now don't go another day without shaving."

"But why should I take so much trouble about mere looks? I'm just as good with a long beard as with a short one. It's a great deal of trouble to shave every day. You can love me just as well; and why need I care about what others say or think?"

On the following morning Douglas appeared, not only with a long beard, but with a shirt front and collar that were both soiled and crumpled.

"Why, Edward!" said Cora. "you have neither shaved nor put on a clean shirt."

Edward stroked his face and ran his fingers along the edge of his collar, remarking indifferently as he did so, "It's no matter, I look well enough. This being so particular to dress is a waste of time, and I am getting tired of it."

And in this trim Douglas went off to his business, much to the annoyance of his wife, who could not bear to see her husband looking so slovenly.

Gradually the declension from neatness went on until Edward was quite a match for his wife, and yet, strange to say, Cora had not taken the hint, broad as it was. In her own person she was as untidy as ever.

About six months after their marriage, we invited a few friends to spend a social evening with us—Cora and her husband among the number. Cora came alone, quite early, and said that her husband was very much engaged, and could not come until after tea.

My young friend had not taken much pains with her attire. Indeed, her appearance mortified me, as it contrasted so decidedly with that of the other ladies who were present; and I could not help suggesting to her that she was wrong in being so indifferent about her dress. But she laughingly replied, "You know my fortune is made now, Mrs. Smith. I can afford to be negligent in these matters. It is a great waste of time to dress so much."

I tried to argue against this, but could not make any impression upon her.

About an hour after tea, and while we were engaged in a pleasant conversation, the door of the parlor opened, and in walked Mr. Douglas. At the first glance I thought I must be mistaken. But what a figure he did cut! His uncombed hair was standing up in stiff spikes in a hundred different directions; his face could not have felt the touch of a razor for two or three days; and he was guiltless of clean linen for the same length of time. His boots were soiled, and there was an unmistakable hole in one of his elbows.

"Why, Edward!" exclaimed his wife, with a look of mortification and distress, as her husband came across the room with a face in which no consciousness of the figure he cut could be detected.

"Why, my dear fellow, what is the matter?" said my husband frankly, for he perceived that the ladies were beginning to titter, and that the gentlemen were looking at each other and trying to repress their merriment, and therefore deemed it best to throw off all reserve on the subject.

"The matter? Nothing is the matter, I believe. Why do you ask?" Douglas looked grave.

"Well may he ask what is the matter," broke in Cora energetically. "How could you come here in such a plight?"

"In such a plight?" And Edward looked down at himself, felt of his beard, and ran his fingers through his hair. "What is the matter? Is anything wrong?"

"You look as though you had just waked up from a nap of a week, with your clothes on, and come off without washing your face or combing your hair," said my husband.

"O!" and Edward's countenance brightened a little; and then he said with much gravity of manner, "I have been very busy of late, and only left business a few hours ago. I hardly thought it worth while to go home to dress. I knew we were all friends here. Besides, my fortune is made (and he glanced with a look not to be mistaken toward his wife); I do not feel called upon to give as much attention to mere dress as formerly. Before I was married, it was necessary to be particular in these matters, but now it's of no consequence."

I turned towards Cora. Her face was like crimson. In a few minutes she arose and went quickly from the room. I followed her, and Edward came after us pretty soon. He found his wife in tears, and sobbing almost hysterically.

"I've got a carriage at the door," he said to me aside, half laughing, half serious.

"But it is too bad in you, Mr. Douglass," replied I.

"Forgive me for making your house the scene of this lesson to Cora," he whispered. "It had to be given, and I thought I could venture to trespass upon your forbearance."

"I'll think about that," said I, in return. In a few minutes Cora and her husband retired, and in spite of good breeding and everything else, we all had a hearty laugh over the matter, on my return to the parlor, where I explained the curious scene that had just occurred.

How Cora and her husband settled the affair amongst themselves I never inquired. But one thing is certain—I never saw her in a slovenly dress afterwards, at home or abroad. She was cured.

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—"I don't think, husband, that you are very smart." "No, indeed, wife, but every body knows that I am awfully shrew-d."

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Connecticut has about 26,000 farms. Her population is about 500,000. She would require six acres of wheat to each farm, allowing 15 bushels per acre, and one barrel of flour to each person. Her flour bills, at $18 per barrel, amount to $9,500,000 per annum.

EFFECTS OF MIND ON BODY.—Plato used to say that all diseases of the body proceeded from the soul. The expression of the countenance is mind visible. Bad news weakens the action of the heart, destroys the appetite, oppresses the lungs, stops digestion, and partially suspends all the functions of the system. An emotion of shame flushes the face, fear blanches it, joy illuminates it, an instant thrill electrifies a million nerves. Delirium infuses great energy; volition commands and hundreds of muscles spring to execute. The news of a defeat killed Philip V. One of the Popes died of an emotion on seeing his pet monkey robed in pontificals and occupying the chair of state. Muly Moloch was carried from the field of battle in the last stages of an incurable disease, who, upon seeing his army give way, leaped from the litter, rallied his panic stricken troops, and rolled back the tide of battle, shouted victory, and died.

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Then planting it, he asked in prayer,
Some new fruit, unknown and fair.
A slave near by, who bore a load,
Fell fainting on the dusty road;
The Brahmin, pitying, straightway ran
And lifted up the fallen man.
The deed scarce done, he stood aghast,
At touching one beneath his caste.
"Behold!" he cried, "I stand unclean;
My hands have clasped the vile and mean."
The Lord beheld his troubled face,
And wrought a miracle of grace:—
The buried seed arose from death,
And bloomed and fruited at his breath;
A stalk held up a leaf of green,
Whereon the mystic words were seen—
"*First count men all of equal caste,*
Then count thyself the least and last."
The Brahmin, with bewildered brain,
Beheld the word of God writ plain.
Transfigured now in living sight,
The slave stood sacred in his sight.
Thereafter, in the Brahmin's breast
Abode God's peace—and he was blest.

Theodore Tilton.

THE NUMBER THREE.

When the world was created, we find land, water and sky; sun, moon and stars. Noah had but three sons; Jonah was three days in the whale's belly; our Saviour was three days in the tomb; Peter denied his Saviour thrice; there were three patriarchs, Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. Abraham entertained three angels; Samuel was called three times; Daniel was thrown into a den with three lions for praying three times a day; Shadrach, Meshech and Abednego (three) were rescued from the flames of the oven; the Ten Commandments were delivered on the third day; Job had three friends; St. Paul speaks of these three things, faith, hope and charity. Those famous dreams of the baker and butler were to come to pass in three days; and Elijah prostrated himself three times on the body of the dead child. Samson deceived Delilah three times before she discovered the source of his strength. The sacred letters on the cross (three) are "I. H. S." So also the Roman motto was composed of three words, "*In hoc Signo.*" There are three conditions for man—the earth, heaven and hell; there is also the Holy Trinity.

In mythology there were the three Oracles—Cerberus, with his three heads; Neptune, holding his three-toothed staff; the Oracle of Delphia cherished with veneration the Tripod; and the nine Muses sprang from three. In nature we have male, female, and offspring; morning, noon and night; trees group their leaves in three; and there is three-leaved clover. We have fish, flesh and fowl. And what could be done in mathematics without the aid of the triangle? In logic three premises are indispensable. And we all know it is said that "three is a lucky number."

SLOW COURTSHIPS.—Lovers who propose to enter the temple of Hymen should not dally too long in the vestibule. This is a progressive age, and there can be no progress in courtship beyond a certain point. When the parties to the affair have arrived at the conviction that they were "made for each other," and cannot be happy apart, the sooner they become "one and inseparable" the better. Ante-nuptial affection is as mobile as quick-silver, and when it has reached its highest point the safest policy is to merge it in matrimonial bliss. Otherwise it may retrograde. Very long courtships often end in a backout on one side or the other—the retiring party being in most cases "inconstant man." The best thing a lady can do under such circumstances is to bring matters to a focus, by asking the point-no-point gentleman *what* he means and *when*. She can either do that or dismiss him altogether. Perhaps the latter plan would in most instances be the better one; for a man who is slow in matrimony is generally slow in all concerns of life.

AN ENEMY'S GIFT.—When the Crusaders under King Richard, of England, defeated the Saracens, the Sultan, seeing his troops fly, asked what was the number of the Christians who were making all this slaughter? He was told that it was only King Richard and his men, and that they were all afoot. "Then," said the Sultan, "Heaven forbid that such a noble fellow as King Richard should march on foot," and sent him a splendid charger. The messenger took it and said: "Sire, the Sultan sends you this charger, in order that you may not be on foot." The King was as cunning as his enemy, and ordered one of his squires to mount the horse, in order to try him. The squire did so, but the horse was fiery, and he could not hold him; he set off at full speed to the Sultan's pavillon. The Sultan expected he had got King Richard, and was not a little mortified to discover his mistake.

CURIOSITY.—The curiosity of an honorable mind willingly rests there, where the love of truth does not urge it further forward, and the love of its neighbor bids it stop—in other words, it willingly stops at the point where the interests of truth do not beckon it onward, and Charity cries halt!

—Hogs are a pattern of good humor. Hit 'em a kick and they forget it as soon as they are out of reach. Dog 'em and they root as happy as if they were left alone.

—"Who owns the city of New York to-day?" asked Mr. Beecher, in his sermon of last Sunday night, and his prompt reply to his own query was, "The Devil."

COON FIGHT IN KENTUCKY.

A coon-fight is one of the glories of life in Kentucky. The programme is this:—Some one announces to the gentlemen planters of an extended neighborhood that he will give a barbecue and coon-fight on a certain day, at such a place, and they are invited to bring themselves, their friends, and their dogs—for his coon is a veteran, and will make a big fight. This brings a large gathering of men and dogs to enjoy the feast and the fight. The coon is placed in a barrel with one head out, laid flat, so that he cannot be taken on the flank or rear: and the dog that brings out the coon, and it takes one of pluck to do that, wins the bet.

On the occasion to be described, a large party assembled, with numerous fine dogs, eager for the fray. The sport began—but every dog of the party was whipped out by the sharp teeth and claws of the gallant coon. As a matter of course there was a noisy clamor and some tough swearing at the result. There was a seedy Yankee present, looking on with a grin of delight, as each defeated dog gave up the battle. He had with him a miserable yellow cur, which went sneaking about with his tail between his legs, snapping and shying at every dog that offered tokens of friendly introduction.

In the midst of the uproar the Yankee quietly remarked: "Wal, gentlemen, I think I have got a dog that will bring eout that 'ere coon."

"Where is he? where is he? Bring him out," shouted a score of witnesses.

"Thair he is!" pointing to the miserable cur.

There was a general laugh, and immediate offers of bets in any quantity.

"Wal, gentlemen, I hain't got much money, but here's my watch and three dollars. That 'ere watch is a leetle old, but it's an all fired nice time-keeper."

"I'll bet you ten dollars against your watch and money," said one.

"Wal, I guess that's about fair. I'll do it."

After a deal of coaxing and pulling, the mongrel was hauled close to the mouth of the barrel. The Yankee, after patting and calling his dog pet names for a minute, suddenly seized him, and thrust him into the barrel, stern first. The next instant, with an agonized yelp, out came the dog—and out came the coon, too—fastened by tooth and claw to the haunches of the fleeing dog. The screams that followed may be better imagined than described.

"I guess I'll take that 'ere money and watch," quietly remarked Mr. Yankee—and he took them.

The loser, with a scowl, by way of self-comfort, observed: "I reckon your dog is spoiled."

"Wal, yes—guess he's a leetle damaged; but I never reckoned him worth mor'n ten dollars."

A FROG STORY.—One is half inclined to accept as indubitable what Elian tells us about the water-snakes and frogs of Egypt. The former have, he informs us, a passionate liking for frogs—that is for devouring and digesting them. No one knows this better than the frog, and accordingly, when they meet in a pond, wonderful is the cunning that ensues. The water-snake glides up as if intentionless of evil, but our other slimy friend is quite aware of the intentions of the passionless snake. He makes for the nearest twig, seizes it, and carries it across his mouth, and then fearlessly approaches the hydra. The latter now makes at the frog with open jaws; but the twig across the frogs mouth is much wider than the jaws of the snake, and he can by no possibility swallow the much desired frog. The latter looks down his enemy's throat from the inside, holds fast to the protecting twig, and laughs. The snake tries again and again; he glides round his antielpatory victim, but the frog always contrives to keep him in view, and the end of every attempt is that the foiled snake finds the bar carried by his antielpatory victim lying across his open jaws, and the frog once more laughing down his throat. The hydra at length gives up in despair, and, "froggy" plumping into a safe spot, where he knows his kindred to be assembled, tells his exciting tale, raising a very din of croaking congratulations.

SARCASTIC BUT SUGGESTIVE.—A Quaker gentleman, riding in a carriage with a fashionable lady decked with a profusion of jewelry, heard her complain of the cold.—Shivering in her lace bonnet and shawl as light as cobweb, she exclaimed:

"What *shall* I do to get warm?"

"I really don't know," replied the Quaker solemnly, "unless thee should put on another *breast pin*."

—A Maryland farmer, thinking that his end was near at hand, a few days ago carried the material to the cabinet-maker and had his coffin made. He had had the lumber well seasoned, having prepared it some two years ago.

—"You ought to acquire the facility of being at home in the best society," said a fashionable aunt to an honest nephew. "I manage that easy enough," responded the nephew, "by staying *at home* with my wife and children."

The Journal.

SATURDAY, APRIL 25, 1868.

The Republicans of the tenth Congressional district, met at Chester on Tuesday, and appointed A. D. Briggs, of Springfield, and W. M. Walker, of Pittsfield, delegates to the Republican Convention at Chicago.—H. B. Smith, of Westfield, and Arthur Gilman, of Lee, were chosen alternates.—The Convention had no resolutions, and was very harmonious in its proceedings.

The Governor has vetoed the bill establishing a dental college in Boston. The principal objection made to the bill was the omission—which he says does not occur in any similar act in the legislation of the Commonwealth—that of giving the right to confer degrees without any of the qualifications which hitherto, by an unbroken line of precedent, have been attached to analagous grants.

The Legislature will not probably adjourn before the middle of May, and it will have to hurry matters to get through by that time. The members went on an excursion to the Hoosac Tunnel on Thursday, and will not get back till to-day. It would be a great loss to those who have never seen the great bore, not to go, when they can go free and have all expenses paid. And then, what a convincing argument an excursion is, when an appropriation is wanted.

The impeachment trial is near its close. The testimony is all in, and on Wednesday Mr. Boutwell, one of the managers, commenced his argument, which was not finished till Thursday morning. He made out a clear case for the managers, and a bad one for Johnson. Judge Nelson of Tennessee followed for the defence, and we are to have further arguments for the prosecution and defence, which will consume several days. The impression is very strong that the President will be impeached, and he has probably come to the same conclusion himself.

Governor Bullock on Thursday morning sent to the House of Representatives the License bill, without his signature, and with it a message protesting against it as unwise, and calculated to subvert the morals of society. He allows it to become a law because the people through their representatives have signified their desire to have it, and he does not wish to thwart the will of the people by a veto. The Governor says—

"The fourth section of the bill throws open public bars and tippling houses in every section of the State. It leads into temptation the young and the weak; it spreads a snare for the stranger and the unwary. It replaces thrift with waste, and the peace of quiet neighborhoods with boisterous and reckless disorder. It is destructive to the influences of the family and fireside, adverse to good morals, and repugnant to the religious sentiment of the community. To a measure like this, which as a citizen I could not support, as the chief magistrate of the commonwealth I cannot affix my signature in approval; and declining to return it with my objections, for the reasons I have given, I refer it to the judgment and the conscience of all the people of Massachusetts."

"Personals."

In some of our city papers there are columns of advertisements under this head; and these advertisements are addressed to persons who are described in a flattering manner, or are simple invitations to a correspondence with young ladies who may be foolish and silly enough to reply. It is surprising to notice the number of these advertisements; but it is not surprising to hear of the result, as we often do in the newspapers. Only last week two respectable young girls were enticed from Boston to New York by answering a "personal" advertisement, and their friends have been unable to find them. In an exchange we find an account of a thoughtless girl living in a Western city who answered a "personal" advertisement, just for the fun of the thing. The first note led to three more—thus throwing herself into the hands of a scoundrel. Her father was surprised by the appearance of the villain at his store, who demanded $1500 for the four notes, and the father was forced to accede to his demands rather than have the notes written "just for fun" shown to all his friends and relations.

There are a set of libertines and scoundrels who have nothing else to do but inveigle the innocent and unsuspecting into snares of this kind. They may be found upon the cars, at depots, hotels, and in all public places. Only a short time since a respectable married lady of New York, felt, as she left a street car, that the gentleman who handed her out had squeezed her arm. In her agitation she felt for her pocket-book. She had no idea that it was gallantry, but naturally supposed it meant theft. The next day her husband, to whom she had narrated the circumstances, looked in the columns of his morning paper, and there, sure enough, he found an invitation to his wife to extend this pleasant acquaintanceship. It is not uncommon to read advertisements like the following:

"If the young lady with pink bonnet and Bismark dress, who saw a young gentleman looking intently at her in church, last Sabbath, will send him her address, he will be pleased to open a correspondence that may prove profitable to both. Samuel, box 1057."

This kind of thing is silly and loathsome, and yet we find members of well-bred society who relish it as they would a good dinner. There is nothing romantic about it—nothing to commend the practice—and it should be frowned upon. The class of wretches who seek to beguile the innocent by such snares is increasing, and we see no way to stop them but for publishers to refuse the insertion of their advertisements. This would put an end to the whole matter.

Letter from Springfield.

From Our Own Correspondent.

SPRINGFIELD, April 23d, 1868.

Spring is with us once again—not such as the poets love to sing about—for the days have been too chilly to inspire any one with a wish for out-of-door rambling; yet we hear the notes of the robin quite often, giving us a foretaste of coming concerts in the open air. Under such dull skies as these we are favored with, the people really show a great deal of animation in leaving their cozy firesides and affecting an interest in the pretty summer goods so temptingly arranged in the shop windows. Everything light and airy seems so decidedly out of place 'neath the frowning face and cold seeming of mother nature.

Well, what shall it be, I wonder? Something spicy, agreeable and entertaining—a gossipy, pleasant letter, withal? Then, of course, it must include town gossip and folly. As regards fashion, it is generally understood that this column of news is usually read before the list of deaths and marriages. We believe no one will attempt to deny this freely given piece of information. Therefore let us chat about the fashions. Very few spring suits are yet out, though it was opening day recently among the milliners—a time in which the ladies usually come out in their most dainty and becoming toilets—still winter costumes were everywhere visible. There was a very handsome display of laces, flowers, ribbons, and "loves of bonnets" at both Tinkham's and Wilcox's. We attended the millinery reception at Mrs. James Ripley's, on Pynchon street, and a very respectable affair it was. We felt ourselves within a bower of beauty: natural flowers bloomed forth from mantle, vase and bracket; the windows were very handsomely decorated with festoons of flowers, that gleamed from their lace surroundings, as perfect in freshness and color as though just plucked by some fairy fingers. Sweet perfume charmed the sense, and beauty gladdened the eyes. Among the handsomest bonnets was a Metternich green of frosted lace, with a lovely feather wreath; another of buff lace, with leaves of the same color on the out and inside. A drab hat, called the "Constance," won my admiration. It was trimmed with a rosette and scarf of drab lace, with a cluster of leaves and flowers. The display was exceedingly attractive, and the presiding genius won fresh laurels by the artistic skill which mingled together the real and artificial with so much grace and beauty. Of course everybody was out, looking their loveliest; and we saw some very sweet faces among the comers and goers. The laces and flowers are exquisite this season, but the bonnets are not materially altered from last summer's style. The silk garments are exceedingly pretty and in every variety and shape. Sashes are worn on every dress or outside garment.

A new paper has just come out in this city, and proves a pleasant addition to our attractions. It is brought round every evening, and sold for two cents a copy. It contains the very latest news, in and out of town gossip, &c. Madam "They Say" approves of its debut, and speaks encouragingly of its success.

The Sunday evening meetings at the Opera House are fully attended, and draw large crowds. The quartette singing is quite an attraction, and the speakers are very entertaining. Large numbers go away unable to procure a seat, or even a comfortable standing place. But more anon.

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In anticipation of Mrs. Gen. Grant becoming mistress of the White House, the political vultures of the democratic party have commenced picking at her. We notice that one of these papers publishes several letters from the South, charging that Mrs. Grant was captured at Holly Springs, Miss., by Gen. Van Dorn, during the Rebellion, and that she had her trunk packed with stolen silver ware belonging to the lady she boarded with. This is but a sample of the falsehoods that are coining, to be swallowed by the credulous, and laughed at by the wise.

Probable Defalcation in Springfield.—Volney Winchell, a well known broker of Springfield, has left the city under circumstances which lead to the belief that he is a defaulter to a large amount. He has been receiving bonds from parties, to get them exchanged, and if their fears prove correct, they will suffer loss to the amount of more than $20,000. His credit has heretofore been considered good.

Charles Dickens sailed for home on Wednesday. He takes back with him a large pile of greenbacks, or gold, as a reward for his readings, and leaves behind him many friends. A farewell dinner was lately given to him in New York, at which he spoke feelingly of the reception he had received in this country.

Shameful.—Two cars loaded with cattle, in a freight train, passed through Bellows Falls, Vermont, on Tuesday, in a most shocking and filthy condition. In one car four cattle lay dead, and others were nearly so. They were badly crowded, causing them to trample upon each other; and bellowing, in their terrible agony, they were started off on the Cheshire Railroad.

Strong Man.—A new athlete, of extraordinary strength, has made his appearance at the Holborn Theatre, London. He makes a full swing upon the trapeze holding the rope only by his teeth, and hanging by his feet, head downward, he swings three men, depending on the strength of his wrists.

Good Joke.—A party of sportsmen left Louisville, last week, on a hunting excursion in Indiana. Some wags sent a telegram to the Mayor of Vincennes to look out for a gang of bank robbers in the disguise of hunters. The result was that the Louisville sportsmen were arrested.

Narrow Escape.—Geo. H. Hill of West Buxton, Me., while oiling machinery in a mill, was caught by his frock on a shaft revolving a hundred times a minute, and whirled around at a fearful rate for several minutes. Strange to say he is yet alive and in full possession of his senses.

Model Belle.—The belle of Portland, Me., does the cooking for her father and mother, and in the afternoon drives out with the finest span of horses in town, thinking it an honor to be able to prepare a meal of victuals. This her sister belles declare "shocking."

☞G. W. Bey, a poor Illinois boy, drew the prize of a house and lot, valued at fifteen thousand dollars, in a St. Louis lottery, recently.

The Erie Tragedy.

The Erie Railroad massacre at Carr's Rock, near Port Jervis, N. Y., proves to have been to the fullest extent as serious a tragedy as the first accounts seemed to indicate. Twenty-two persons are known to have been killed; and several, of whom nothing is as yet known, are supposed to have been consumed with the sleeping car that was burned, while others who are placed in the list of seriously injured, will probably die. The track was in a bad condition, and the train was running at unusual speed, to make up for time lost by running over a man. A poor rail broke, and four cars were run off the embankment down a rocky declivity of nearly one hundred feet into the river. A passenger in one of the cars writes:—

"The car I was in crushed up as it rolled, like a long paper box, and when it had ceased rolling it was a complete wreck. The sides had folded open, as it were, and lay level with the floor of the coach, and the narrow section of the roof, in which the skylight and ventilators are placed, lay diagonally across the body of the car. All four of the cars that went over the embankment were completely demolished, and I think about twenty-five or thirty persons were killed outright. I saw five or six ladies taken from the ruins of the train, quite dead, and a number wounded.

Another passenger says:—"I proceeded with the brakeman who went to the scene of the disaster to help the wounded. Their cries, shrieks and groans, which could be heard at the top of the embankment, were of the most appalling nature. We climbed down by the aid of the telegraph wires that had been broken, and found the four cars that had gone over, completely demolished. They had rolled over twice, descending about seventy feet. Prayers for relief came from every portion of the wreck, and without delay we commenced to extricate the passengers buried beneath the ruins. Men, women and children were taken out—some dead, others dying, and occasionally those that had escaped entirely. One man was pulled from the wreck with a large hole in his head. His death, from appearances, must have been instantaneous. The next dead person found was a woman. In less than half an hour the rear sleeping car, which was separated from the other three by a swift stream of water, took fire, illuminating the scene, and adding a new horror to the fearful disaster. By this light the faces of the dying could be seen, and their sufferings shook the stoutest heart present. Efforts were made by a number of passengers and brakemen to put out the fire, and they eventually succeeded, but not before six or seven bodies were burned. Whether any of these were living when it commenced I cannot say. Soon after it was discovered that the wreck of the forward car was in flames, but by prompt action it was at once extinguished. There was no one in this car; but several passengers were under it, one of whom was shortly after taken out, but found dead. More than three-fourths of those who went down the embankment were either killed or badly injured. There was a family of nine persons, father, mother and seven children, in one of the rear cars. The mother and one child were instantly killed, and the father mortally injured. I saw five of the children, and they were badly scratched, but not seriously hurt. I saw a young lady and her little sister from Chenango Forks, N. Y., who pointed to the bodies of her dead father and mother. Her grief was indescribable."

Incendiarism in Springfield.—Three fires occurred in Springfield at an early hour Monday morning, within three hours of each other. One of them was A. M. Maynard's barn, and his hired man, a negro named Horace Kimball, who had gone to sleep on the hay, lost his life. A young man named Henry H. Cobleigh has been arrested, on a charge of setting the fire. It is said circumstances are very strong against him.

Amherst College.—The Trustees of Amherst College met in Springfield Tuesday and elected Elijah P. Harris, of Beloit, Wis., College Professor of Chemistry, in place of W. S. Clark, now President of the State Agricultural College. A committee was appointed to procure plans and subscriptions for a library building, to cost $50,000.

Murder in Webster.—Peter Laffrey, a Frenchman, of Webster, was murdered on Thursday night, of last week, while in bed with his wife. A man named Dave, with whom the woman had been intimate, has been arrested on suspicion of having committed the murder, and Mrs. Laffrey is held as an accessory.

Peach Crop.—The peach crop is so far safe in Maryland, Delaware and New Jersey, but in the Southern States generally the peaches are destroyed. This will be unfortunate for a part of the country where all supplies of the products of the soil are much needed.

Heavy Insurance.—The total insurance on the lives of passengers killed by the Erie Railway tragedy was $114,000. Of this amount the Traveller's Company, of Hartford, lose $50,000, and the Passenger Assurance Company, of the same city, lose $31,000.

Suicide of an Insane Man.—Wm. H. Aiken of Newton, a patient at the Lunatic Asylum in Worcester, while walking out with his attendant on Saturday, broke away, and threw himself under a passing freight train and was instantly killed.

High Rents.—Hotel rents in New York are decidedly large. The Astor House when reopened, is to rent for $55,000; the St. Nicholas is rented for $76,000; the Metropolitan for $75,000; and the Fifth Avenue somewhere near $80,000.

Dead.—Mrs. Helen L. Osgood, whose name, to soldiers and those connected with the work of the Sanitary Commission, during the war, was familiar as Miss Nellie Gilson, died at her residence at Newton Corner, on the 20th inst.

☞Maj. Gen. Anderson, of Fort Sumter fame, proposes to spend the summer at North Adams, in this State.

All Sorts of Things.

Florida is producing two pound lemons.

—Door plates are giving place to monograms.

—The late severe frosts have hurt the peach trees.

—In England boots are now manufactured from which the squeak is extracted.

—Austria paid $116,000 to get Maximilian's body back.

—Denmark is negotiating for the sale of Santa Cruz to France.

—Violent riots are reported to have broken out in Bologna, in consequence of a strike of workmen.

—A premium for the destruction of rats has been offered by the Barbadoes Legislature.

—A sea captain predicts a snow storm on the 30th of April, and will bet his vessel against her value on it.

—It turns out that it was the colic and not poison that killed State Constable Billings' horse.

—The British Post-Office Department is about to send a representative to this country to readjust the details of the International Postal Convention.

—A starving sailor, of Brooklyn, recently attempted to commit suicide by eating phosphorus off the ends of matches.

—Farmers in some portions of Canada are in so reduced circumstances that they have been feeding for some time upon wild berries.

—The Western Union Telegraph Company operates some ninety thousand miles of lines.

—The noted Benninghoff oil farm has just been sold for $80,000. Four hundred thousand dollars was offered for it last August.

—An effort is being made in the New York Legislature to repeal the act requiring the servants of railroad companies to wear uniforms.

—It is said that the suicides at the French capital average two per day, and that ten times more men than women commit suicide.

—Green peas are shipped from Charleston for the northern market.

—Frenchmen are hastening in crowds to America to escape the operation of the new French Army bill.

—A thirteen years old girl in Baltimore, N. Y., committed suicide a few days since through grief at the death of her sister.

—Princeton College, N. J., received, last week, two gifts, one of $100,000, the other of $125,000, raising the fund to $375,000.

—The French returns of the consumption of tobacco in that empire are said to show a decided preference among the French people for cheap cigars.

—It is officially stated in St. Petersburg that the Emperor of Russia has consented to grant a delay in the payment for the territory of Alaska.

—The Maine Adventists have fixed upon the second day of next October as the day which is to witness the grand dissolution of the universe.

—A few Sundays since, Mrs. Liversey, wife of Rev. Wm. Liversey, supplied the pulpit in Middletown, Conn., in the absence of her husband.

—It is said that the sum that will be given to Mr. McGee's family will be $2500 a year—$1200 to Mrs. McGee, and $100 to each of her daughters.

—A meteor with an "immense tail, like a great tree, behind it," shot athwart the skies near Boston, early Sunday morning.

—Two hundred buildings will be erected in Newton this year, of which one-half will be located in West Newton and Auburndale.

—Ten dollars each are paid for the bills of Ford's Theatre, Washington, on the night of the Lincoln assassination.

—French Canadians are swarming into the States, distributing themselves through the various manufacturing districts.

—A citizen of Winthrop, Me., has drank nearly a pound of tea per week lately, hoping that it might restore a waning memory.

—One portion of the Pacific Railroad is 8212 feet above the level of the sea.

—Thousands of birds, dead from starvation, have been picked up in the western part of the State this spring.

—Gen. Sherman says that every day he is detained in Washington costs the country a thousand dollars, for the Indian Peace Commissioners can do nothing in his absence.

—Of the two hundred New England women who went to Washington Territory two years ago, all but three are married.

—A squirrel hunt among the young men of Barton Landing, Vt., resulted in the destruction of 61,680 head.

—The installation of the Prince of Wales as Knight of the Order of St. Patrick, occurred in Dublin, Saturday.

Literary Notices.

The Galaxy commences a new volume with the May number; and, having come into possession of Sheldon & Co., the well known publishers, of New York, it will make its appearance much enlarged and improved. It will be elegantly illustrated, each number containing at least four full-paged illustrations by our best artists. It will contain fifty per cent more matter than heretofore, and will be the largest Monthly Magazine (with one exception) published in this country. The aim of the Proprietors will be to make each succeeding number of The Galaxy as much better than the last as increased experience, more knowledge of the wants of the public, enlarged facilities, fixed resolution, and satisfactory encouragement shall enable them to do. Send for specimen copy to Sheldon & Co., 498 and 500 Broadway, New York.

The Little Chief.—This monthly visitor to the School-room and Home-circle has arrived. Parents will find this publication one of the very best as well as one of the cheapest published in the United States. It aims to both amuse and instruct the little ones. This feature alone should insure it a place in every household where there are children. Specimen copies with agents' circular, 10 cents; per year, 75 cents. Dowling & Shorthridge, Publishers, Indianapolis, Indiana.

A Timely Work.—It is announced that the house of J. Burr & Co., of Hartford, have in press a work entitled "Grant as a Soldier and a Statesman," which will be ready for publication, shortly, and will be sold by supscription. The title intimates its contents. It will, no doubt, be eagerly sought for as soon as it appears. The country is desirous of some accurate account of Gen. Grant's whole course in the field of politics, as well as of battle. Ample means for illustrating his opinions upon the questions of the day, exist in his reports, letters and acts; though this fact is generally lost sight of. If the materials are properly used, it will appear that in the field of politics as well as war, General Grant's *forte* is action, and his "headquarters" always properly located; that he is as reliable as a Statesman as he is as a Soldier. The name of the author has not yet been been announced, but we understand that the work is by one of the ablest and most conscientious literary gentlemen of the country, every way fitted for the task, and enjoying peculiar advantages, deriving the most important part of his materials from headquarter.

☞Two important witnesses in the Cole-Hiscock tragedy at Albany, have recently deceased. The inability of one of them to attend was the chief reason for the last postponement of the case.

☞There is a range of mountains in Arizona, on the line of the Union Pacific Railroad survey, in which there is a wonderful natural curiosity—an extraordinary profile likeness of Washington.

☞The citizens of Montgomery, Ala., have appointed a committee to raise means for the relief of the ex-pirate Braine, now imprisoned in Brooklyn, N. Y., and to secure him a speedy trial.

PALMER AND VICINITY.

The examination of school teachers will take place in this village on the 4th of May.

The slips of the Cong. Church, in this village, will be rented next Monday evening at 7 o'clock.

A cow belonging to Widow Burley was found dead in her stall a few mornings since, having got cast during the night.

Gipsies.—A tribe of gipsies have been encamped in town for a week or two. They number some twenty-five, including babies, horses and dogs.

May Day Ball.—Mr. N. B. Royce, of the Palmer House, proposes giving a social dance at his hall, on Thursday evening, (May-Day eve), April 30th.

New Telegraph Office.—The Franklin Telegraph Co. have opened an office in this village, at the Antique House. Rates will be reduced from 20 to 30 per cent.

See the advertisement of L. C. Carter in another column. Carter is an enterprising fellow, and appreciates the benefit of advertising. Besides, he does sell a good article in the fruit and confectionery line very cheap. Call and see for yourselves.

Drunken Fight.—Half a dozen drunken fellows, one of whom prided himself on being a Good Templar, had a drunken fight in the street last Saturday evening. The "Good Templar" got badly smashed, and has been laid up under the doctor's care for several days.

Broken Into.—The house of Levi D. Shaw, near Three Rivers, was lately broken into in the absence of the family, and ransacked for money, without finding much. Mr. Shaw is building a new house, and the thief expected to get the little sum he had laid away for that purpose.

Society Meeting.—The Cong. Society, of this village, held its annual meeting on Monday evening, and elected the following officers for the coming year:—Clerk, David Knox; prudential committee, J. D. Blanchard, Wm. Holbrook, J. S. Loomis; treasurer and collector, Alvin Hastings.

Life of Gen. Grant.—A. D. Scott is canvassing Palmer and vicinity for the sale of the Life of Gen. Grant, by Henry C. Deming, ex-Member of Congress. It is the only life authorized by the great chief, and is a highly interesting and valuable work. Everybody old enough to read should have it.

Big Ox.—Calvin W. Hastings & Co., butchers, of Thorndike, purchased, the past week, of Mrs. Hovey, of Monson, a fat ox, which weighed 2200 lbs. The same firm recently killed a pair of steers, purchased from A. J. Northrop, of Monson, which dressed 2400 lbs. Those who patronize Mr. Hastings' market must enjoy some nice eating.

Agents Wanted.—We advertise, this week, the appearance of a new work, entitled "The Official History of the War, its Causes, Character, Conduct, and Results," by Hon. Alexander H. Stephens, vice President of the late Southern Confederacy. It is a work which has been looked for with much interest, and will, without doubt, be read by thousands all over the country, North and South. An agent is wanted in this vicinity.

The Alleged Child Murder in Wilbraham.—The examination of the case of Commonwealth against Abraham Knowlton, of Wilbraham, charged with murdering the illegitimate child of his daughter, was concluded on Friday afternoon, last week. The two witnesses, Dr. Holbrook and Mrs. Butler, constituted the chief evidence for the complaint, and was simply circumstantial. There was nothing to show that the child was not a healthy one, and it was easy to infer that its sudden death had been brought about by violence; yet the testimony was weak and indefinite. The magistrate, however, considered it sufficient to hold Mr. Knowlton, and he was committed to await trial on the third Monday in May. The body of the child was disinterred on Saturday, and a post mortem examination held by Drs. Holbrook, of this village, Foster, of Wilbraham, and Smith, of Springfield. The body had been buried thirty-seven days, but decomposition had not taken place. The physicians agreed to keep their discoveries to themselves till the time of trial.

Wales.—Whitman Green's boys, while out in a pasture, a few days since, were attracted by the barking of their dog to a spot, where, by digging into a hole already made, they found and killed twenty-five black snakes, varying in length from three to five feet, and two of them were a little over five feet long. If any pasture land in New England can raise more black snakes than that, the Green boys would like to know it.—The old satinet mill, on the street known by the name of "The Wales Factory," purchased about a year and a half ago by the Rogers Brothers, and which has not been running since April last, was recently purchased by the Shaw Company, of that place, and is now being fitted up preparatory to the manufacture of fancy goods.

Monson.—The Academy opened with a fair prospect for the summer term.—The school committee, in their report, say, "The time has come when the town must comply with the requirements of law in reference to a High School, or reap in full the reward of disobedience." As the fine in such cases is twice the amount of money ever raised for school purposes in any one year, and as the appropriations for schools have been $3,000, it would seem that Monson thus lays herself liable to a fine of $6,000.—D. G. Green lost a valuable two-year old colt a few days ago, under the following circumstances: The animal was let loose in a pasture, and was enjoying his liberty by capering around, when by making some misstep he was thrown violently to the ground and instantly killed. He was very highly valued by Mr. Green on account of a superior pedigree; and the loss of a colt of the same stock by drowning, some two or three years ago, seems to make this loss still greater. Zelotus Moulton also lost a colt last week, and a post mortem examination seemed to indicate poison.—Storrs & Gates are erecting a derrick sixty feet high with forty feet boom on their quarry, for the purpose of moving the massive stones they are now getting out.—Dwight Fuller and Alanson Chaffee have purchased a farm in Belchertown, and it is rumored that Mr. F. will have some *help* before long.—Artemus L. Haynes has sold his farm to Carlton L. Stebbins, of Brimfield, for $3,700.

Fire in Brookfield.—The Brookfield House, one of the finest hotels in Worcester county, was destroyed by fire on Thursday night. The fire took from a lamp hanging against a partition. The building was the property of Mrs. Zebediah Allen, and was occupied by Chas. Gitlin, who had taken possession only a few days previous, and who owned the furniture. In the L was a billiard saloon and grocery store, over which was the Brookfield House Hall. Most of the furniture was saved. The total loss will probably reach $15,000, the greater part of which is covered by insurance. The losses will be divided between Mrs. Allen, F. P. Sawyer, and Chas. Gitlin.

Railroad Theft.—One James Knowlton, a brakeman on the Western Railroad, has been charged with stealing several hundred dollars' worth of goods from the cars, and a large quantity of the stolen articles have been found in this place. Knowlton cannot be found.

Mysterious Butchery.—Vicksburg papers give some account of a horrible and mysterious butchery committed on Saturday last, near Omega, La. On that day the people of the neighborhood discovered the house of Hon. Henry Keenan to be burning, and on repairing to the spot, found that Mrs. Keenan and her two children had been murdered and burned. On further search the body of Mr. Keenan was found about two hundred yards from the house, covered with leaves and bark from the trees, with ten bullet holes in his back.

Convicted of Murder.—In the "Canaan murder case," which has been in progress at Hudson, N. Y., for several days, the jury after being out twenty four hours, brought in a verdict declaring Joseph Brown guilty of murder in the first degree, with a recommendation to mercy. Brown, it will be remembered, had secured a policy of insurance for $5,000 on the life of his adopted daughter Angie, and was charged with having strangled her and then set fire to his house to conceal his crime.

Denies it.—The wife of Rev. David Root, of Vineland, N. J., denies that she has robbed her husband of $40,000, and been away from him, but says she is now and has all along been living with him, though she has taken $8000 of his money and put it where he cannot get it, the income of which will be used for the support of the family. The "root of all evil" has, according to her story, been the cause of much trouble in the Root family.

How Caused.—The Hon. Mr. McGee was assassinated like Pius IX's Minister, by severing the carotid artery, which carries blood from the heart to the brain. It is of sufficient capacity to bring to the brain as much blood as all the other arteries to other parts of the body.

Chinese Coolies.—Bad treatment, severe punishment for the slightest offence, and wretched food, kill about one-half of the Chinese coolies in Cuba before their term of service expires. About twenty of these unfortunate coolies commit suicide every week.

A Curiosity.—Gen. Spinner, Treasurer of the United States, has had two bonds of ten thousand dollars each bequeathed by a Californian toward the payment of the national debt. The bonds will soon be cancelled and exhibited at the Smithsonian Institute.

A Vermont Bear.—A bear who roams the mountains in Dorset, Vt., has created no little excitement thereabouts in consequence of his fondness for mutton. Companies of men and boys have been hunting him for days, but old brain has kept out of their way.

The Quality rather than Size.—The fact that D'Arcy McGee's brain weighed 59 ounces, while that of Daniel O'Connell, the great agitator, weighed five ounces less, shows that it is quality rather than size of the brain that tells.

An Unnatural Father.—Wm. A. Patteson, aged about forty years, was arrested in New Haven on Friday for incest. The crime was committed by force—his daughter, a girl of fifteen, testifying to the fact.

Among the Roses.—A New Orleans editor, out taking a drive on the Carrolton road, talks of roses in bloom, and "the intoxicating fragrance of the blossoming orange and China trees."

Suit for Damages.—A suit for $2,000 damages has been commenced against D. C. Pitkin, of Springfield, by Deputy Constable Chapin, for trespass in entering the liquor storehouse in that city last Tuesday night.

Abyssinia.—Dispatches from Abyssinia state that Gen. Napier arrived within thirty miles of Magdala on the first of this month.

☞Arlington, once the magnificent estate of the rebel General Robert E. Lee, and now in posession of the United States Government, is to be divided into small farms and sold to freedmen.

☞Thurlow Weed says that no consideration whatever could induce Mr. Seward to remain in office a single day after President Johnson is removed, if removed he is to be, by the High Court.

☞In England most of the suicides occur in the raw, cold weather of November. In Paris, suicides are more frequent when spring opens and the nervous system relaxes.

☞Cheering reports of crop prospects continue to come to us from all parts of the West. The indications are said to show that the harvest of 1868 will be a large one.

☞In the British House of Commons, a bill requiring all executions of criminals to be conducted in private, was adopted in Committee of the Whole.

FISH SMOTHERED. — The extreme cold weather of the late winter has caused the death of nearly all the fish in Ruild Pond, in the town of Northeast, N. Y. The pond has been so closely frozen that the usual airholes were wanting for a long period, and the fish smothered.

BE WISE TO-DAY.—'Tis madness to neglect a cough or cold, however slight. Consumption may follow, and though Dr. Wistar's Balsam of Wild Cherry has frequently cured this much dreaded disease, for the primary diseases of the throat, lungs, and chest, it always cures where other remedies fail.

ITS good effects are permanent. In this it differs from all hair dyes. By its use luxuriant growth is guaranteed, natural color and gloss are restored. One trial will cause you to say this of Mrs. S. A. ALLEN'S IMPROVED *(acie style)* HAIR RESTORER or DRESSING, *(in one bottle)*. Every Druggist sells it. Price One Dollar. ats 4w

I RECENTLY paid a visit to a newly-wedded pair. I found the wife—an accomplished, beautiful and intellectual lady—pale and dejected. The husband, whom I had known as a noble, whole-souled fellow, now peevish and fault-finding beyond endurance. Supper came—sour, black, bullet biscuit and cake reeking with the fumes of foul alkalies. Now, thought I, for the peace maker. I went out and purchased a paper of Herrick Allen's Gold Medal Saleratus, and presented it to the dejected wife, who is now famous for her skill in housewifery, possesses the full affection of her husband, and blesses the inventor of Gold Medal Saleratus.

A Card.—At the annual meeting of the First Unitarian Society of Ware, the following resolution was passed:

Resolved, That the sincere thanks of this Society be given to the East Congregational Society, of this town, for their kindness in allowing us the use of their chapel since the burning of our church.

WILLIAM METCALF,
Clerk First Unitarian Society.
Ware, Mass., April, 16th, 1868.

Information.—Information guaranteed to produce a luxuriant growth of hair upon a bald head or beardless face; also a recipe for the Removal of Pimples, Blotches, Eruptions, etc., on the skin, leaving the same soft, clear, and beautiful, can be obtained without charge by addressing

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Grace's Celebrated Salve cures in a very short time Cuts, Burns, Scalds, Wounds, Bruises, Sprains, Erysipelas, Salt Rheum, Ringworm, Boils, Chapped Hands, Frozen Limbs, Felons, Chilblains, etc. It is prompt in action, removes pain at once, and reduces the most angry looking swellings and inflammations, as if by magic—thus affording relief and a complete cure.

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N. B.—Board furnished to those who wish to remain under treatment.

Boston, June 30, 1867. 1y.

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One of Dr. Radway's Pills contains more of the active principle of cure, and will act quicker on the Liver, Bowels, Stomach, Kidneys, Bladder, Blood, etc., than 6 to 8 of the ordinary common purgative or cathartic pills, sold under various names, or than ten grains of Blue Mass.

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MARRIED.

In Ludlow, 19th, by Rev. C. B. Cushman, AUSTIN DUTTON and ANNA PUFFER of Belchertown.

In Ware, 15th, by Rev. A. E. P. Perkins, ALONZO L. ALDEN and ETTA M. FROST, both of Hardwick.

In Springfield, 23d, DWIGHT V. FULLER and ALICE E. BRADWAY, both of Monson.

DIED.

In Ware, 10th, HENRY SHUMWAY, 78, formerly of Belchertown.

In Belchertown, 29th ult., MINERVA, 62, wife of Daniel Marsh; 2d, MAZILLA, 5 weeks, daughter of U. E. Hick; 10th, a son of JOHN WALKER, 3.

In Springfield, 18th, Mrs. ELIZA TRASK, 89, mother of Gov. Eliphalet Trask.

In West Warren, 13th, DANIEL W. CADY, 34.

In Ware, 21st, JONATHAN E. PAGE 62.

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Those expecting to teach in the Common, Intermediate, and Primary Schools will be examined in Orthography, Reading, Writing, English Grammar, Geography, and Arithmetic; and those expecting to teach in the Graded Schools—in addition to the before-mentioned branches of learning—general History, Geometry, Natural Philosophy, and the Latin language.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.
Palmer, April 21th, 1868. 2w

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Palmer, April 25th, 1868. tf

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$300 REWARD.—The above reward will be paid to any person who shall furnish evidence sufficient to convict any one of willfully and maliciously setting fire to the Iron Foundry belonging to J. V. Squier & Co., on Sunday evening, April 12th, 1868.

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Palmer, April, 16th, 1868. a18-3w

F. M. EAGER, Boot Manufacturer, to Order, will be at Munn & King's Store, Barton's Block, Monson, every WEDNESDAY, from 7 to 9 P. M.; where he will take orders for Boots. A good assortment of Boots can be found at my shop, nearly opposite Antique House—all of my own manufacture. F. M. EAGER.
Palmer, April 11, 1868. tf

FISH MARKET.—The subscriber has opened a Fish Market in McGilvray Block, and will keep on hand all kinds of Fresh and Salt Fish; also, Oysters and Fruits.

He will, also, run a cart in this village and vicinity twice each week

ALVA THAYER.
Palmer, April 14, 1868. a18-tf

FOR SALE.—A HOUSE and BARN with an acre and a half of land, situated on the Monson road, at Tenneyville. There are eighteen young apple trees, grafted, on the premises.

Inquire of Eben Brown. CALISTA TENNEY.
Palmer, Feb. 5th, 1868. tf

FRESH GROUND COFFEE
Always on hand, at
S. W. SMITH'S.

TEAS. TEAS. TEAS.
THE BEST AND THE CHEAPEST,
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ALL GOODS WARRANTED as Represented, at the Grocery Store of
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FLOUR. FLOUR.
OF THE CHOICEST BRANDS.
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EVERYTHING! kept at a
FIRST CLASS GROCERY STORE,
May be found at S. W. SMITH'S.

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ATTENTION, LADIES!

I take pleasure in announcing the
FIRST ARRIVAL OF
SPRING GOODS.

BEAUTIFUL TRIMMINGS,
RUCHE GALOONS,
BUTTONS,
VELVETS,
RIBBONS,
GLOVES,
HOSIERY, &c., &c.

I have just added a Splendid Stock of FRENCH and GERMAN
TRAVELING AND WORK BASKETS,
IN ENDLESS VARIETY.

HOOP SKIRTS.
The Celebrated
ODESSA PATENT COLLAPSING SKIRT.
NO BETTER IN THE COUNTRY.

My stock is selected with the
GREATEST CARE AND GOOD TASTE.
My prices will be found
AS LOW AS THE LOWEST
In the State.

I Cordially Invite the Trading Community to
EXAMINE MY STOCK AND NOTE THE PRICES.

Respectfully, &c.,
THEODORE KAUDERS,
Journal Block.
Palmer, March 21, 1868. J1 y

TINKHAM & CO.'S
GREAT DRY GOODS
AND
CARPET STORE,
SPRINGFIELD, MASS.
SPRING STOCK
NOW READY.

Larger and more complete than ever before, and not equaled by any other in this part of the State.

This large stock has been bought for *Cash* at the *lowest market prices*, and will be sold on the *Quick Sale*, small *profit* system, which has been our rule for the past *Twenty Years*.

We cordially invite all purchasers of *Dry Goods* or *Carpets*, within Fifty or One Hundred Miles of Springfield, *North, South, East or West*, to visit our establishment.

We offer a *New, Choice* and *Rich* stock of goods in every department—a class of goods that can only be found in the best and most reliable houses in the country.

Particular attention is directed to our stock of
DRESS GOODS,
SILKS, SHAWLS AND GARMENTS,
MILLINERY
AND CARPET ROOMS.

All goods warranted as represented, or they can be returned at our expense and the money refunded. *Samples* sent by *Mail* if Desired.

184, 186 MAIN STREET.
Springfield, Mass., April, 1868. a18 4w

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE: That on the 4th day of April, A. D. 1868, a Warrant in Bankruptcy was issued against the estate of Stephen B. Wetherell, of Ware, in the county of Hampshire, and State of Massachusetts, who has been adjudged a Bankrupt on his own petition; that the payment of any Debts and delivery of any Property belonging to such Bankrupt, to him, or for his use, and the transfer of any Property by him are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the Creditors of the said Bankrupt, to prove their Debts, and to choose one or more Assignees of his Estate, will be held at a Court of Bankruptcy, to be holden at Amherst, in said District, at the office of and before Ithamar F. Conkey, Register, on the 29th day of April, A. D. 1868, at 10 o'clock, A. M. GEORGE L. ANDREWS,
2w] U. S. Marshal, Mass. District, as Messenger.

ASSESSORS' NOTICE.—The inhabitants of the town of Palmer are hereby notified to bring in to the subscribers, assessors of said Palmer, on Friday, the first day of May, 1868, at the Town House, true lists of their polls, and of all their estates, both real and personal, (not exempt from taxation), of which they are possessed on the first day of May.

JOHN CLOUGH, D. B BISHOP, PERLIN SHEARER, } Assessors of Palmer.
Palmer, April 17th, 1868. 18 2w

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These Goods were Bought at the
RECENT GREAT SALE OF DRY GOODS IN NEW YORK,
and are more than
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50 Pieces Fast Colored Prints,	10 cts.
300 Pieces Merrimac Prints, (In New and Beautiful Styles.)	12½ cts.
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100 Pieces DeLaines, (In Hamilton, Manchester, and Pacific.)	18 cts.
Amoskeag (A) Brown Sheetings,	18 cts.
Good 4-4 Sheetings,	12½ cts.
Good 40 Inch Sheetings,	15 cts.
Bleached Cottons, Equally as Cheap.	
All Spool Thread, except Coat's,	4 cts.
Good All Wool Fancy Cassimere Suits,	$10.

DRESS GOODS.
THE LARGEST ASSORTMENT OF
DESIRABLE GOODS
Ever offered by us.
TAKKO, DAGMAR, CHENE,
ABYSSINIAN & CROQUET CLOTHS,
WASH POPLINS, MOHAIRS,
In Chene and Plain,
BLACK AND COLORED SILKS, &c., &c.

CARPETINGS.
BRUSSELS, TAPESTRY, THREE PLY.
And Common Goods, in Great Variety,
At a
GREAT REDUCTION FROM LAST SEASON'S PRICES.

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A Fine Assortment, in Gilt and Common Grades.

CROCKERY, CHINA, & GLASS WARE.
Having recently made arrangements with one of the largest Importing Houses in the country, whereby we get our Crockery
DIRECT FROM THE POTTERIES IN EUROPE,
We are enabled to offer a
MUCH SUPERIOR STOCK,
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A Large and Superior Assortment of
MILLINERY GOODS,
CLOTHING, WOOLENS,
BOOTS AND SHOES,
HATS AND CAPS,
MEN'S FURNISHING GOODS, &c., &c.,
All at Popular Prices.
EDWARDS & COMPANY.
Southbridge, Mass., April 10, 1868. 3m

HEALTHY! HAPPY! AND HUNGRY!

Well, reader! don't you think that a pretty comfortable sort of feeling? Now you just keep on reading and you will find out what it is that will bring these three blessings straight into your life, and when you once get them, don't blame our remedy if you don't keep them there.

HEALTH!

Good health! What is life worth without it? How it sweetens every joy and doubles every pleasure. THE HEALTHY ARE THE HAPPY. A good digestion is what you must have before you can enjoy anything.

WHAT IS THE USE

Of standing before some beautiful object of art, and as the mind fills with admiration with its pleasing beauties, you feel some confounded pain in your head, or somewhere else, which sends you away heart-sickened and disgusted with yourself and every body else.

HOW CAN YOU BE HAPPY

Under such circumstances?

THEN, AGAIN,

What sense is there in sitting down day after day to a good dinner that wife has worked hard all the forenoon to get up for you, and finding that while the spirit is willing, the flesh is so miserably weak and I agged out, that you had rather go to sleep than try to eat anything?

THE FACT IS,

You are not hungry, and feel as though you would exchange most anything you have to be able to sit down and eat a

GOOD SQUARE MEAL.

Just as you did when you was a HEALTHY, HAPPY, and HUNGRY BOY.

Now your ideas of

HOW TO GET BETTER,

Are rather mixed up. You fancy you have got to go to the doctor and get a lot of medicine, and stay in the house long enough to let half your notes lay over and have a general sort of two-story sickness. You need not do anything of the kind to be

HEALTHY, HAPPY AND HUNGRY,

Because you can just go to the

APOTHECARY OR GROCERY STORE

At the corner, and get a bottle of

C. A. RICHARDS & CO.'S
SONOMA WINE BITTERS.

And you have then done just the right thing, and you will find it out yourself. They will drive away all those languid, heavy, dull feelings, and make a new man of you. Then don't save it all for yourself, but

PASS IT AROUND,

Give it to your wife, deal it out to the children, send it in to the neighbors, and take it down town to your office. It won't hurt you. It will not intoxicate and muddle your head. There is but very little spirit in it, no more than there is in any pure native wine.

The plants and roots with which it is bittered have a WONDERFUL POWER to make you HUNGRY, and the combination forms a medicinal effect that works like

A CHARM IN THE SPRING TIME.

Accompanying each bottle is a pamphlet, that gives the entire explanation of the great curative properties of all the articles that make the

DELIGHTFUL TASTE AND SMELL

of the Sonoma Wine Bitters.

GROCERS, APOTHECARIES.

Druggists, and country store keepers, all over the United States, are sending in their orders. Our Traveling Agents write us that it sells like fun, and we begin to think it does when we try to fill our orders.

PROTECTION!

See that the LABEL ON THE BOTTLE bears the fac similie of OUR SIGNATURE, and that our Business Address is blown in the glass.

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CHILLED STEEL
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WARRANTED
FIRE PROOF, BURGLAR PROOF,
—AND—
FREE FROM DAMPNESS.
HENRY GRAY & SONS, Agents.

Also, Agents for
PIG IRONS AND PAPER BELTING,
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April 18th, 1868. 4w

NICHOLS, FRENCH, & TINKHAM
Offer, at the
LOWEST PRICES,
A Good Assortment of
DRY GOODS,
A LARGE VARIETY of SMALL WARES,
THE BEST FAMILY GROCERIES.
Also,
FLOUR, OF ALL KINDS,
SALT, GRASS SEED,
LIME, &c., &c.
Palmer, March 28, 1868. tf

FOR SALE.
THE McGILVRAY BLOCK,
On South Main Street. Inquire of E. NICHOLS, or M. W. FRENCH.
Palmer, March 13, 1868. tf

WANTED.—Good Potatoes for the Table, by
NICHOLS, FRENCH, & TINKHAM.
Palmer, Feb. 15, 1868. tf

YOU CAN SELL your Government Bonds and Coupons at the Journal office, Palmer.

BRINGING HER TO.—There is a true story of a very faithful and efficient janitor in a neighboring city, who has for years been a great favorite with the people among whom he resides, and with all of our own who have attended entertainments of which he has had charge. During the excitement and crowd of a ball or a lecture, a short time since, a lady fainted. He was ready for an emergency of this kind, and had all necessary restoratives close at hand for use. She was borne into an ante-room, and our friend rushed for his bottle of camphor, soon returning and proceeding immediately to rub it on her face and forehead, and applying it to her nose for her to smell of. After rubbing awhile she revived, and he then became conscious that there was something wrong about the camphor. He smelt it, and found that all of its virtues had evaporated; he applied his tongue to it, and found, to his dismay, that he had been bathing his patient liberally with mucilage! She was so stuck up by the attention that she had to be sent home in a carriage.

ABOUT READING.—If you read only for pleasure, that is to say, present satisfaction, it does not matter so much what you read, nor how much. But if you read for profit—if you would be a scholar, in the highest acceptance of the term—if you desire culture, and seek discipline—select with great judgment, and read with great care. Do not read much, save for recreation, that you do not have to read deep, with much thought, and often the second time. In our day, when the seven liberal departments of learning have been multiplied to seventy, he that would know something about everything, or everything about something, must not spend a great deal of time in the luxury of reading, but in the labor of it. If you have not genius, which is not probable, it is only by patient and constant industry, and a steady pursuit of a purpose, that you can hope to compete successfully with those who have.

THE DANGER OF SQUEEZING.—An exchange relates the following:—"A young lady, who had several admirers, was at a party the other evening, and fell in with two adniring swains. While sitting in the back part of the room, with both of her lovers, each admirer concluded to slip his hand under the shawl, and try what effect squeezing her hand would have. He went for it and succeeded. Great day! how happy he was. He squeezed, and she squeezed, apparently. He felt glorious all over, and she evidently felt glorious too. After quite a joyful time spent in that way, the lady threw back her shawl, and revealed to the crowd standing near, the two simple youths squeezing one another's hand most lovingly. It don't answer to say "squeeze" to either of them since.

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For Wash Stands, and all descriptions of

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Springfield, Mass., March 21, 1868. 7w*

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☞ These Pills are not sold by Druggists, and can be obtained only of the Sole Agents for America, J. W. CHANDLER & Co., Box 2,751, New York. Sent promptly to any address, post paid and carefully sealed from observation, on receipt of One Dollar. f29 y

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FRESH FISH, OYSTERS,

Fruit, Confectionery, Pies and Cakes, Vegetables, And manufacturers of

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Cash paid for Partridges, and all kinds of Wild Game.

Commercial Block, - - - Palmer, Mass.
Palmer, April 6, 1867. 1y

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No. 1, HAYNES' HOTEL BUILDING,

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They keep the greatest variety; their prices are invariably the lowest; and remember, they have *ONE PRICE ONLY!* After the 1st of April their stores will be open every evening.

Springfield, Mass., March 21, 1868. 3m

AGENTS WANTED.—For the life of Gen. U. S. Grant. By Hon. Henry C. Deming. *The only work of the kind issued under the sanction and by the authority of Grant himself.* The author is well known as one of the most brilliant writers and eloquent orators in the country. Agents will find this one of the most intensely interesting biographies ever published in America, and will meet with ready sale. For particulars, address S. S. SCRANTON, 126 Asylum St., Hartford, Conn.

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LATH, SHINGLES, &C.,

For sale in quantities to suit purchasers, by

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Springfield, April 1, 1868. tf

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PRICE, ONE DOLLAR.

Scientific research cannot furnish an article for the Toilet superior to this.

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It stimulates the growth of the hair, keeps the head cool, moist and clean, does not soil the dress, or the skin, and its effect upon the APPEARANCE of the hair is *everything that can be desired.*

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